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What Is It?

- Leveraging of automation and communication technologies for managing bridges through their lifecycle
- Fluid and seamless electronic data exchange, management and access



For What?

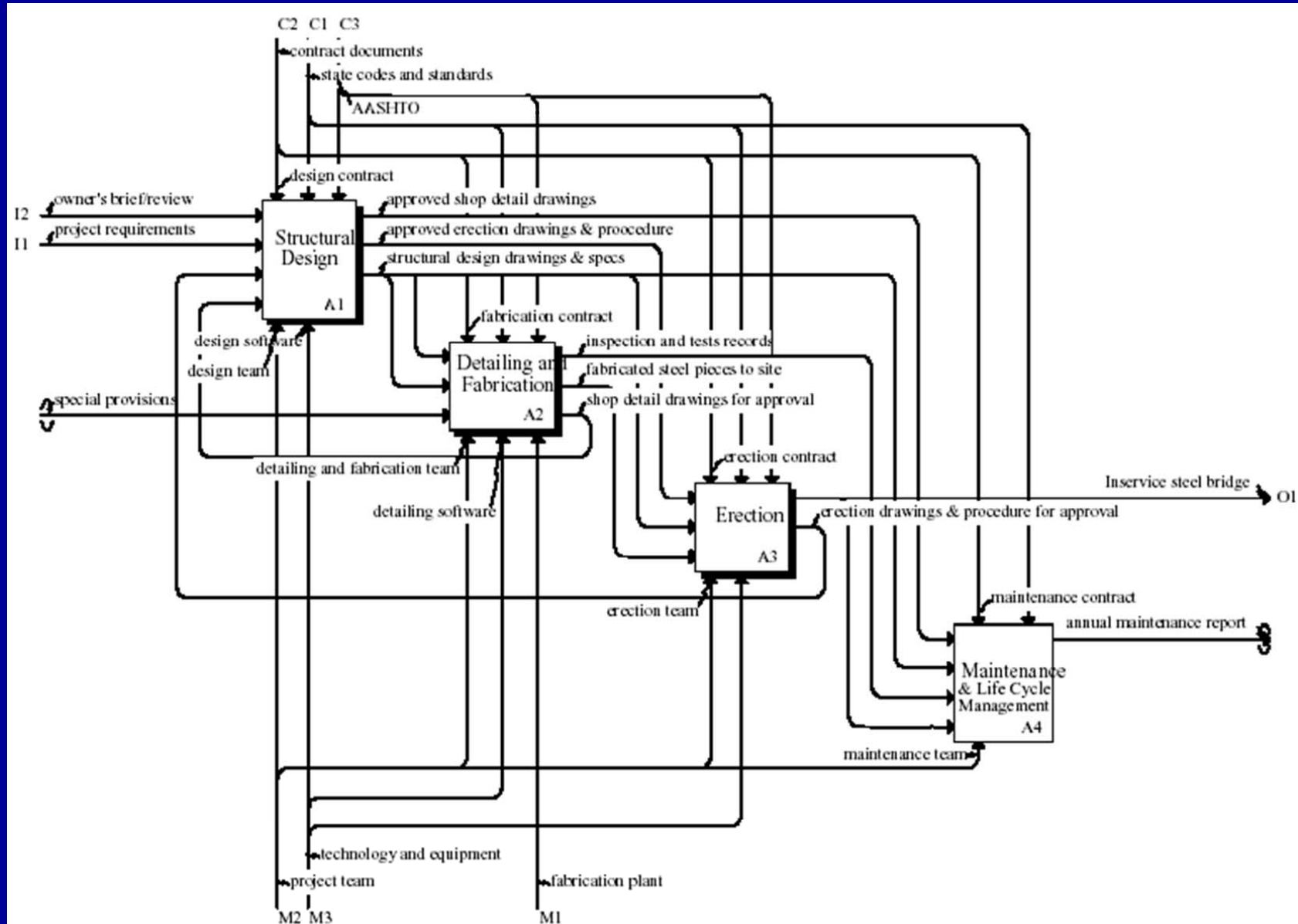
- Improved communication of information to efficiently manage bridge related data between stakeholders in
 - bridge design
 - construction
 - operations
 - life cycle management



What Is Current Practice?



A View of the Life Cycle Process



On-Going Efforts To Improve Current Practice



Project Background

Focus of Current Efforts

- Speed up bridge construction activities
- Simultaneously enhance the quality and durability of bridges being constructed



Project Background

Emphasis of Current Efforts

- Cost-effective use of prefabrication techniques for bridge components
- Advanced materials technologies, such as self consolidated concrete
- Construction methods, e.g. stage construction, use of SPMTs and incremental launching for bridge superstructures



How Do Other Industries Deliver Projects?



Project Background

Other Industry Initiatives

- Building and other industries (Auto, Aerospace and Marine) have documented reduced costs, faster delivery and improved quality resulting from 3D-based integrated design and manufacturing processes.
- Recent examples:
GM Plants, Denver Museum, Queen Mary 2



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Virtual Building

General Motors' design-build team perfects a digital design, then locks it and builds without changes. The result? Faster, better, cheaper, safer—and smiles all around.



Benefits Cited – General Motors Plant (200,000 SF):

- Completed in 14 months instead of 20 months
- Digital design, built without changes, potential field construction conflicts resolved ahead of time
- Components precisely prefabricated and delivered for assembly at site, no waste bins at the construction site
- Faster, better, cheaper, safer and smiles all around



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Paradigm Shifting

Digital modeling mania
upends the entire building team



Queen Mary 2



Benefits Cited – Queen Mary 2 Ship:

- Completely built and in the ocean in two years – years saved
- Built in three parts and then assembled together
- Most complex construction and yet construction conflicts avoided



Types of Benefits cited by Other Industries

- Tangible Benefits:
 - Faster project delivery
 - cost savings
- Intangible Benefits:
 - Process and work-flow re-engineering
 - supply-chain integration
 - risk management and claims mitigation



Types of Benefits cited by Other Industries (cont'd)

- Quasi-tangible Benefits:
 - Improved data availability
 - complete audit trail
 - reduced data entry and improved information management
 - reduced rework
 - improved timely design and construction decision making
 - improved quality of construction



American Institute of Architects (AIA)

Two new model agreements for integrated project delivery (IPD)

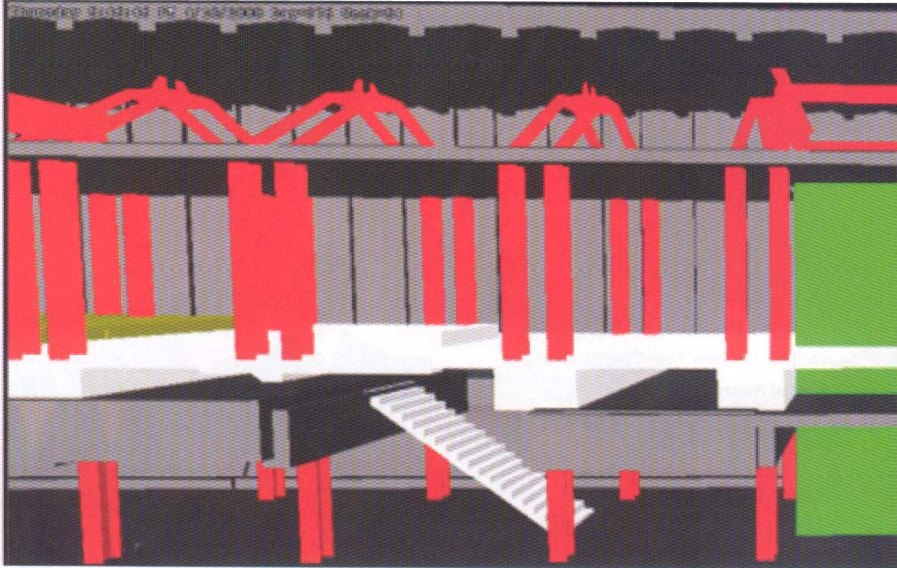
- Require use of Building Information Models (BIM) and a division of projects into phases
- Provide two (2) levels of Design and Construction integration:
 1. Transitional for those unaccustomed to IPD
 2. Single purpose entity, offering a fully integrated way to deliver a building

* Excerpts from “AIA Issues New Docs For Integrated Delivery”, by Nadine M. Post, ENR.com



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BIM Graphic of Station Platform

* Excerpts from "Doing Business with MTA NYCT" special supplement to May 2008 *NY Construction Magazine*

- MTA NYCT Design Managers each selected 1 project in 2008 for use of BIM
- Implementing BIM on all MTA NYCT projects by 2009
- BIM used to determine that the massive Fulton Street Transit Center project in New York City could proceed with construction while the station remains open to trains and passengers



Genesis of this Project



Project Background

Piecemeal Progress in the Industry

- Parametric design tools and TransXML omit detailing for fabrication and construction
- 3D pre-cast concrete modeling tools are not (yet) bridge-oriented
- Bridge inspection or design/rating (e.g.) apps each require their own data (re)entry
- 3D geometry created (e.g.) for visualization is not also leveraged for fabrication & construction



Project Background

Piecemeal Progress in the Industry

- 3D for structural analysis is also not leveraged for other asset management purposes needing such 3D geometry data
- Even when electronic data exchange is pursued, only small pieces of the overall workflow involved in bridge delivery are addressed



Project Background

- FHWA International Review Tour 1999
 - Prevalent CAD/CAM in Europe, Japan
- FHWA Workshop 2001: “*Computer Integrated Steel Bridge Design and Construction: Expanding Automation*”

Established a roadmap for integrating steel bridge design-through-construction processes and for advancing the state-of-the-art practice in steel bridge manufacturing automation and productivity



Project Background

“*Theme Areas*” Progress:

- 3D Modeling & Electronic Info. Transfer:
NCHRP 20-07 Task 149 Project (Completed Nov. 2003)
- Standardized Specs and Approval Processes:
NSBA/AASHTO Collaboration
- Standardized Design Details:
NSBA/ AASHTO Collaboration
- Showcase of Benefits of Automation:
*AASHTO Subcommittee on Bridges and Structures
Resolution (2005)
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2D vs. 3D

**2D CAD provides an electronic
“drawing board”**

**2D drawings contain the
information**

**2D drawings human-readable;
separate manual data entry is
required for analysis**

**Coordination is difficult;
information is scattered
among different drawings
and specifications clauses**

Manual checking

No support for production

**3D CAD enables a parametric
model**

**3D model contains the info;
drawings are only reports**

**3D model is computer-readable,
such that direct analyses are
possible**

**Coordination is automatic: 3D
model is the single source
for all product information**

Automated checking

**Potentially full support for
production (via CNC codes
etc.)**

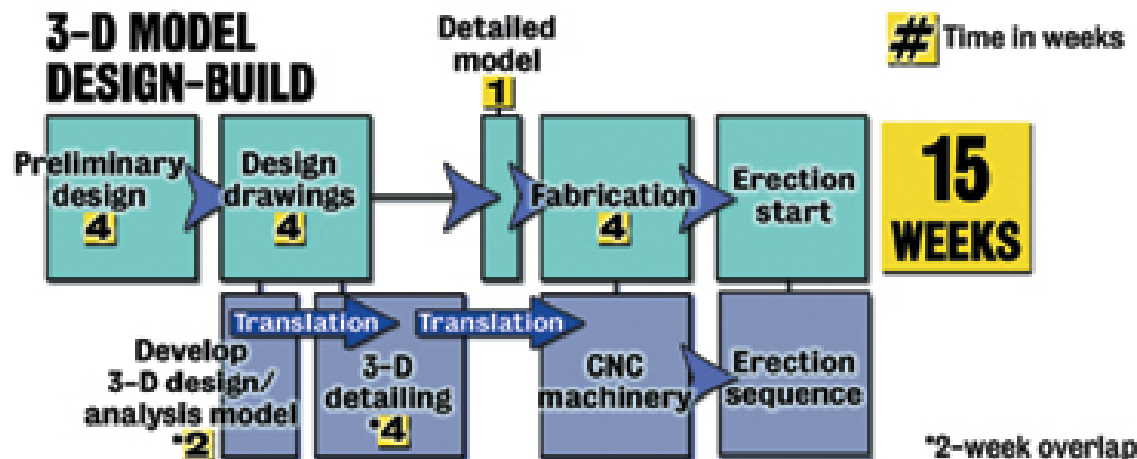


What This Is About

TRADITIONAL DESIGN-BID-BUILD SCHEDULE



3-D MODEL DESIGN-BUILD



Project Vision



Overview of Project Vision

- Develop a prototype integrated system illustrating data exchanges and applications
- Address entire bridge life cycle
- Utilize 3-D bridge information modeling (BrIM) as a technology to accelerate bridge project delivery and enhance life cycle management



Overview of Project Vision

- Demonstrate the viability, efficiencies and benefits of the integrated bridge project delivery and life cycle management concept through one-half-day and two-day presentations of the prototype integrated system to stakeholders around the country



Project Scope



Project Scope

- A large and complex project
- Relates many data exchanges and stakeholders
- Involves development of a prototype - not production - software linking appropriate existing commercial software that demonstrates a viable integrated system for bridge project delivery and life cycle management



Project Scope

- Implementation will require initial stakeholder input, mechanics for maintenance, and will illustrate economic benefits and improved quality
- Presentations, seminars, and other information exchanges address the “*Stakeholder Engagement and Buy In*”



Project Objectives



Project Objectives

- Develop integration and linking software
- Demonstrate utility of an integrated approach
- Promote benefits and efficiencies of this approach
- Develop and conduct one-half and two day workshops
- Make presentations to illustrate use of the system for concrete and steel bridges



Project Approach



Project Approach

- Generate a 3D architectural blueprint for appropriate use, and to facilitate leveraging of data
- Significantly improved 2D design drawings, as well as construction drawings



Project Approach

- Data ownership issues will be addressed with the philosophy espoused by the AISC Code of Standard Practice:

The quality of the contract documents is the responsibility of the entities that produce those documents

- Related key issue:

View / Approve / Edit control and tracking



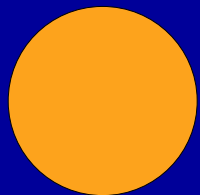
Project Approach

- Highlight the benefits of automation and communication technologies to achieve rapid coordinated bridge design, construction and subsequent life cycle management
- Approach will be implemented by performing an integrated set of overlapping tasks

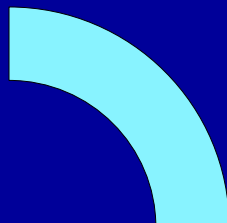


Conceptual View of the Approach

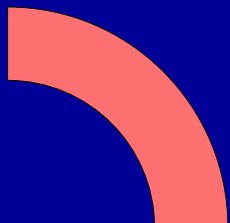




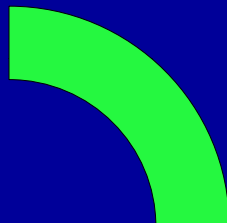
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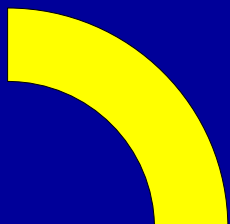
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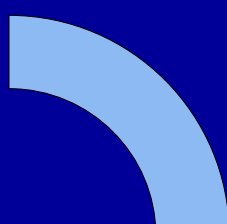
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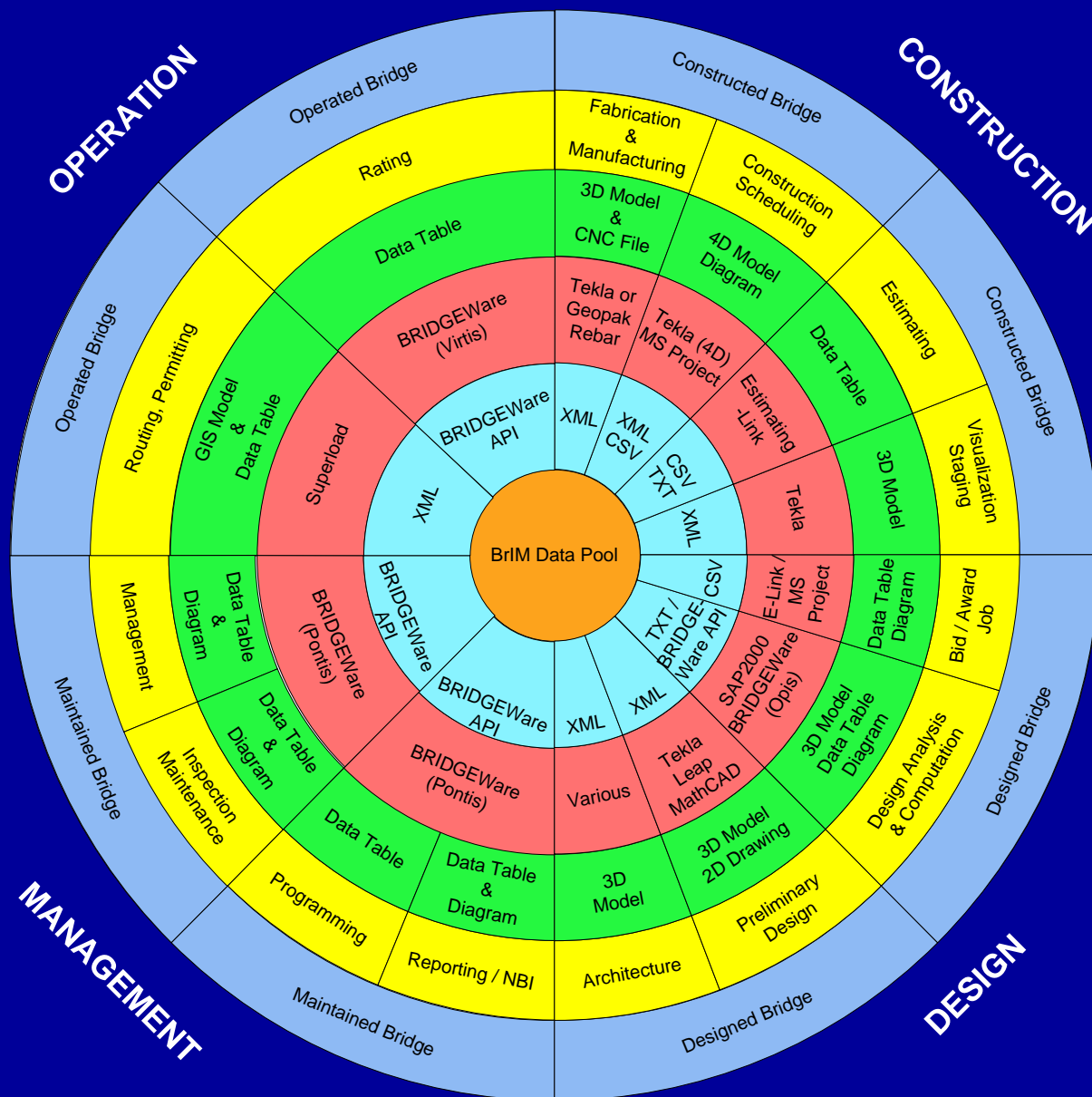
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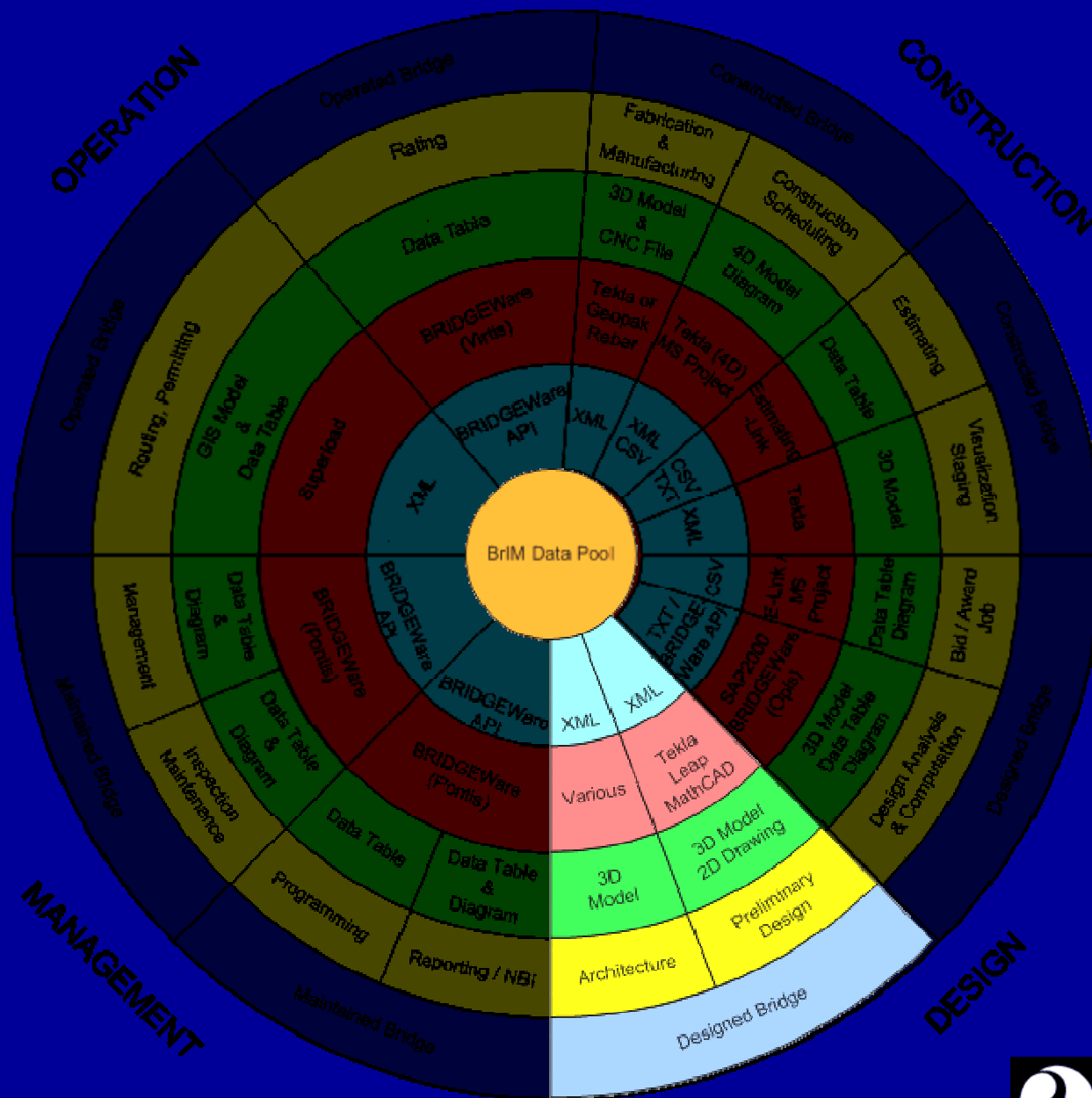


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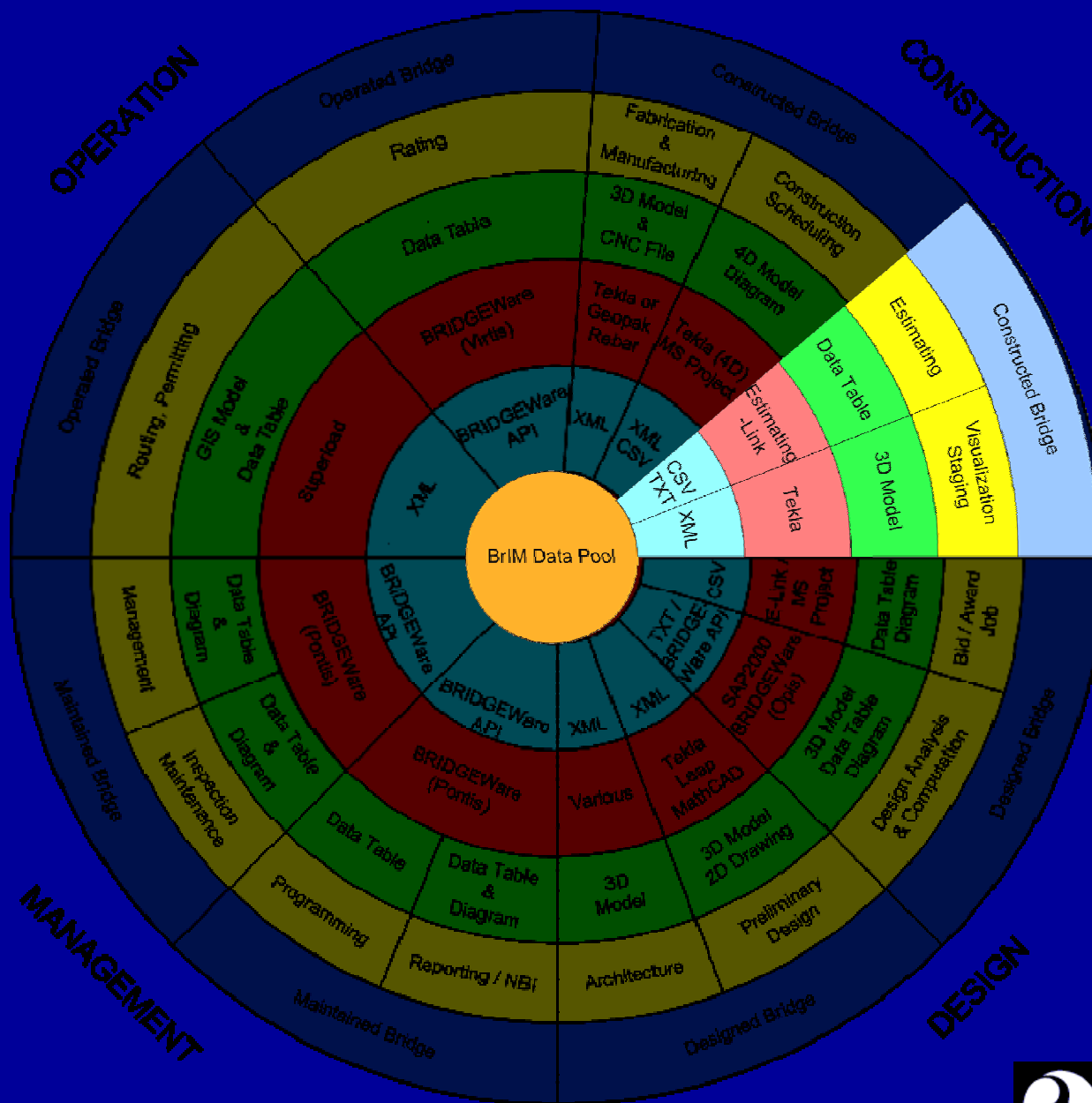


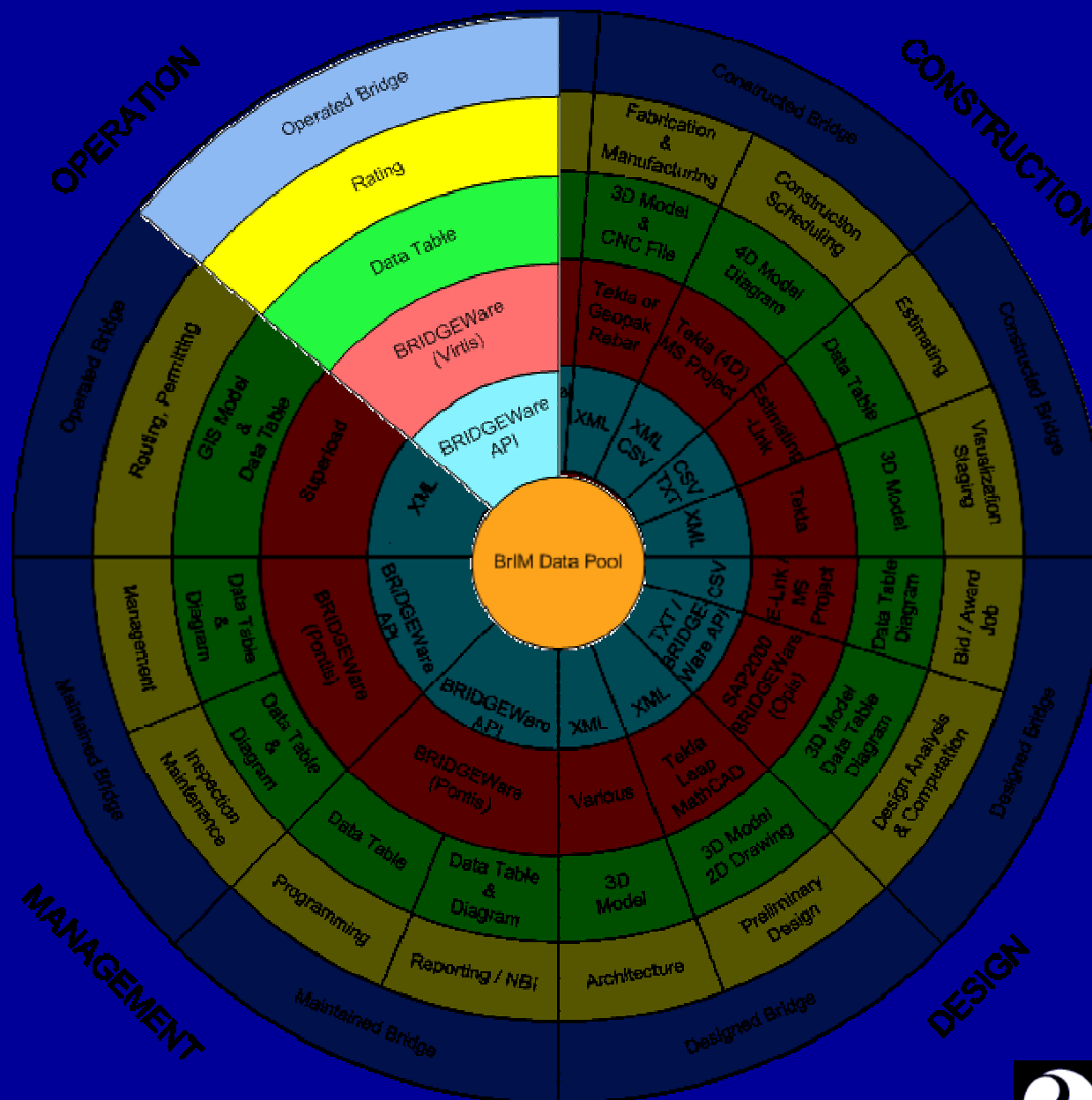
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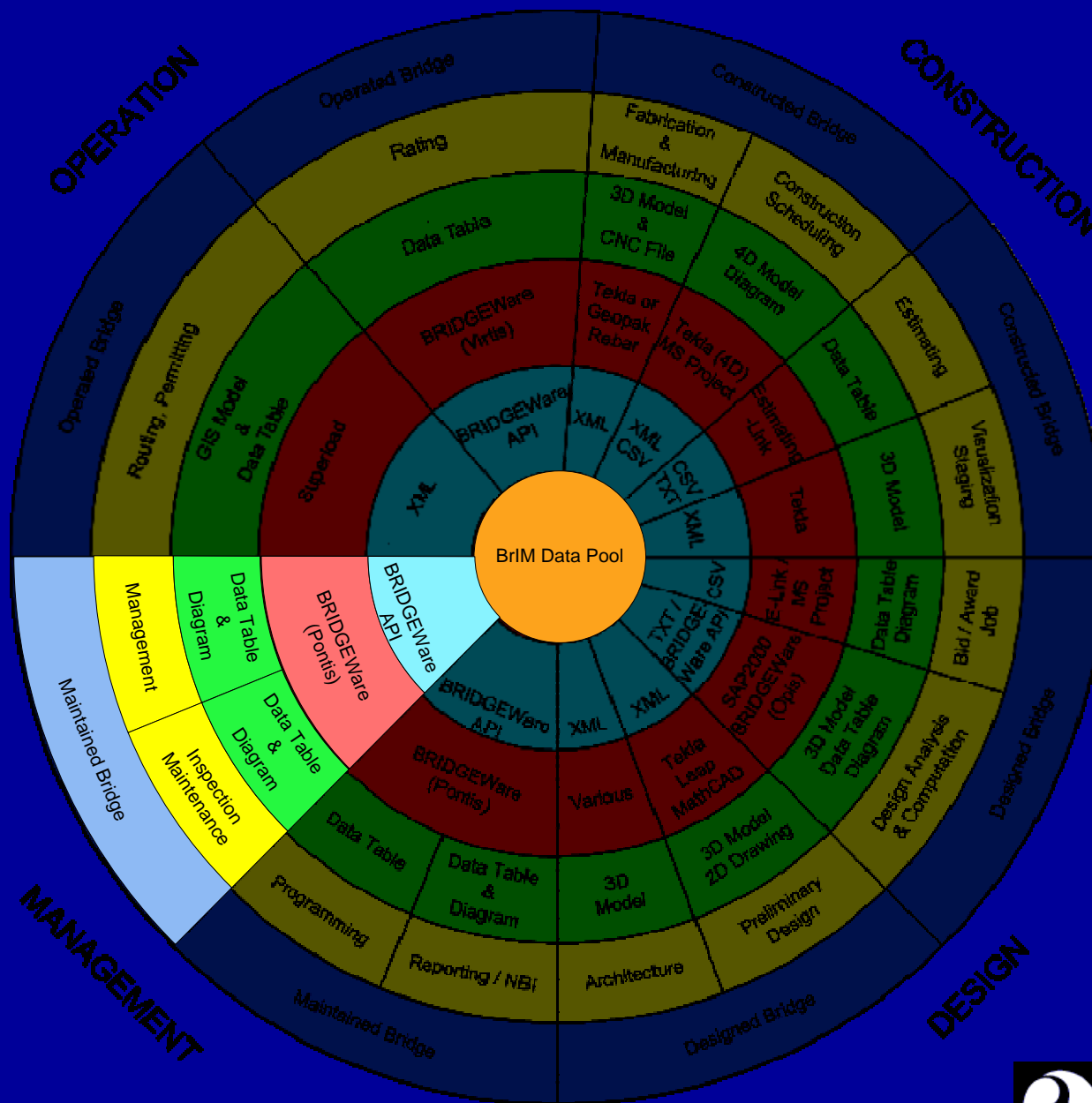












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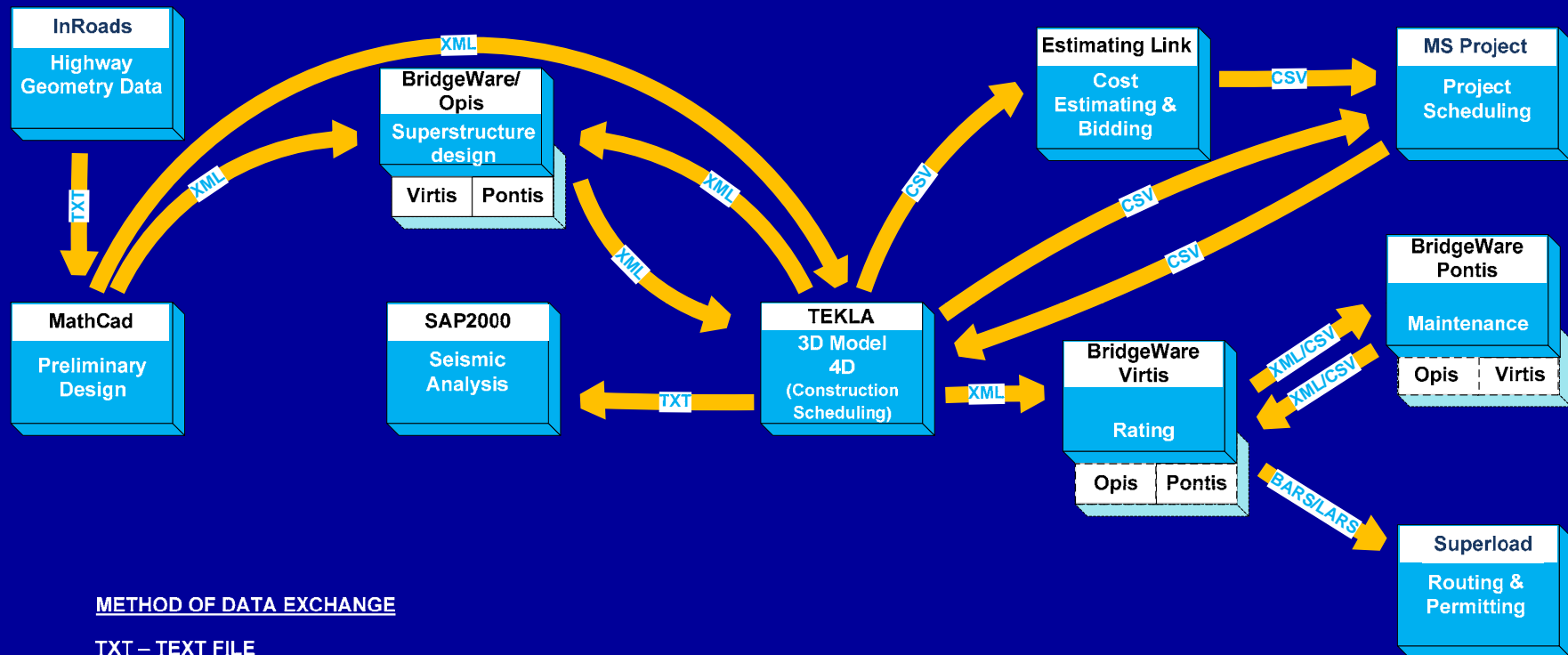
- Complex and a non-typical R&D project
- Aimed at establishing the viability of integrated bridge project delivery and life cycle management
- Resulting product:

An integrated prototype system, with linking software, that connects existing commercial software for all major phases of bridge life



Information Workflow

Steel Alternate



METHOD OF DATA EXCHANGE

TXT – TEXT FILE

XML – EXTENSIBLE MARKUP LANGUAGE

VBA – VISUAL BASIC FOR APPLICATIONS

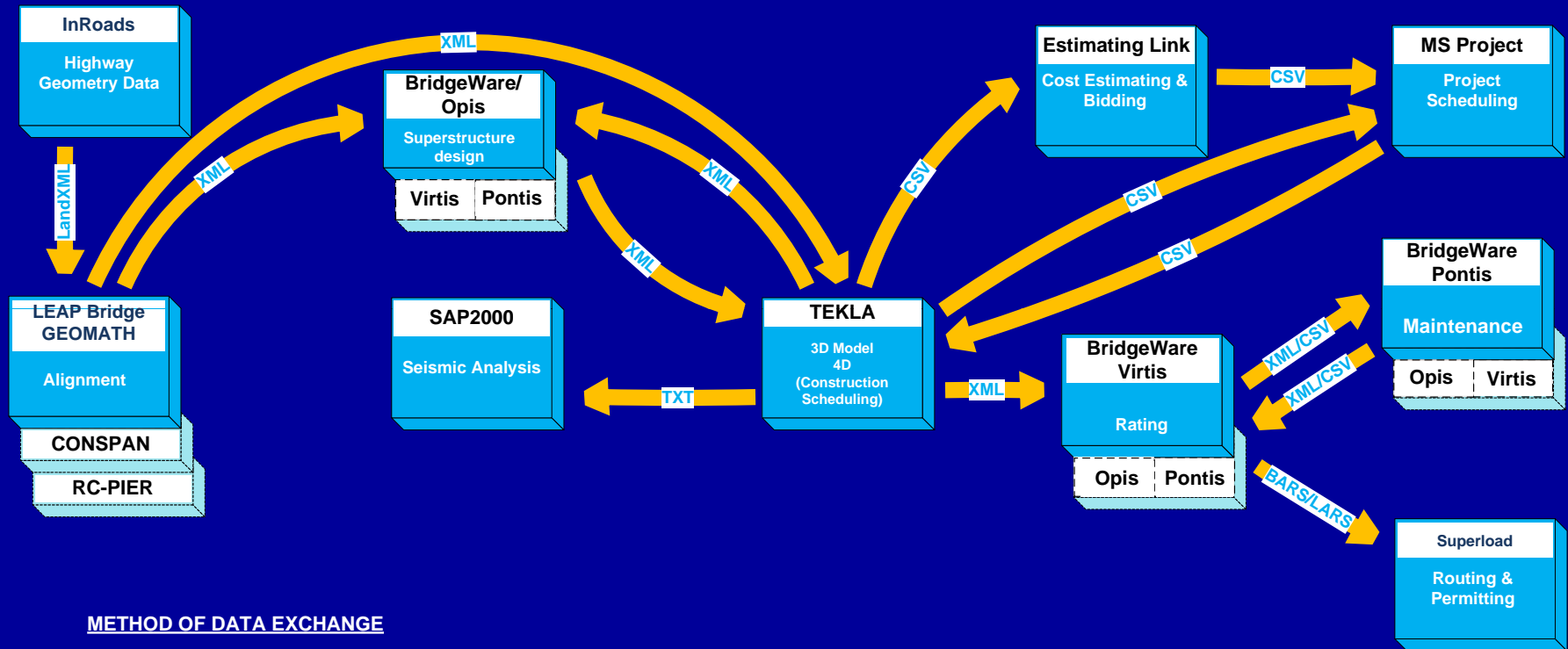
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Information Workflow

Concrete Alternate



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