



# **Department of Mechanical Engineering**

## **VIRTUAL PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT (MENGM6049) - Lecture 1 Introduction to VPD & PLM**

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# **The Purpose of the Lecture**

- “ Introduction to Product Lifecycle Management (PLM).
- “ Introduction to manufacturing strategies such as CIMS for PLM integration.
- “ Virtual Product Development (VPD) or Integrated CAD/CAM or Digital Manufacturing
- “ The User Groups in VPD such as CAD, CAM & CAE & its Benefits.
- “ Examples of Complex Engineering & Bio-inspired Products.
- “ PLM Industrial Example: Through-life Engineering Services (TES).
- “ TES & its Applications in Renewable Energy.

# **Intended Learning Outcomes**

After taking the unit the students would be able to:

1. Draw, manipulate and analyse advanced engineering curves including splines and Bezier curves on a Computer Aided Design system.
  2. Create a machining process plan for a part and perform virtual machining of the product based on this process plan on a Computer Aided Manufacturing system.
  3. Design and optimise a mechanical product from concept to full digital prototype in an integrated Product Lifecycle Management environment.
- ” To complement the unit, 9 lectures with a series of laboratories (24 hours) are provided to support the unit.

## **Unit – Supporting Lectures**

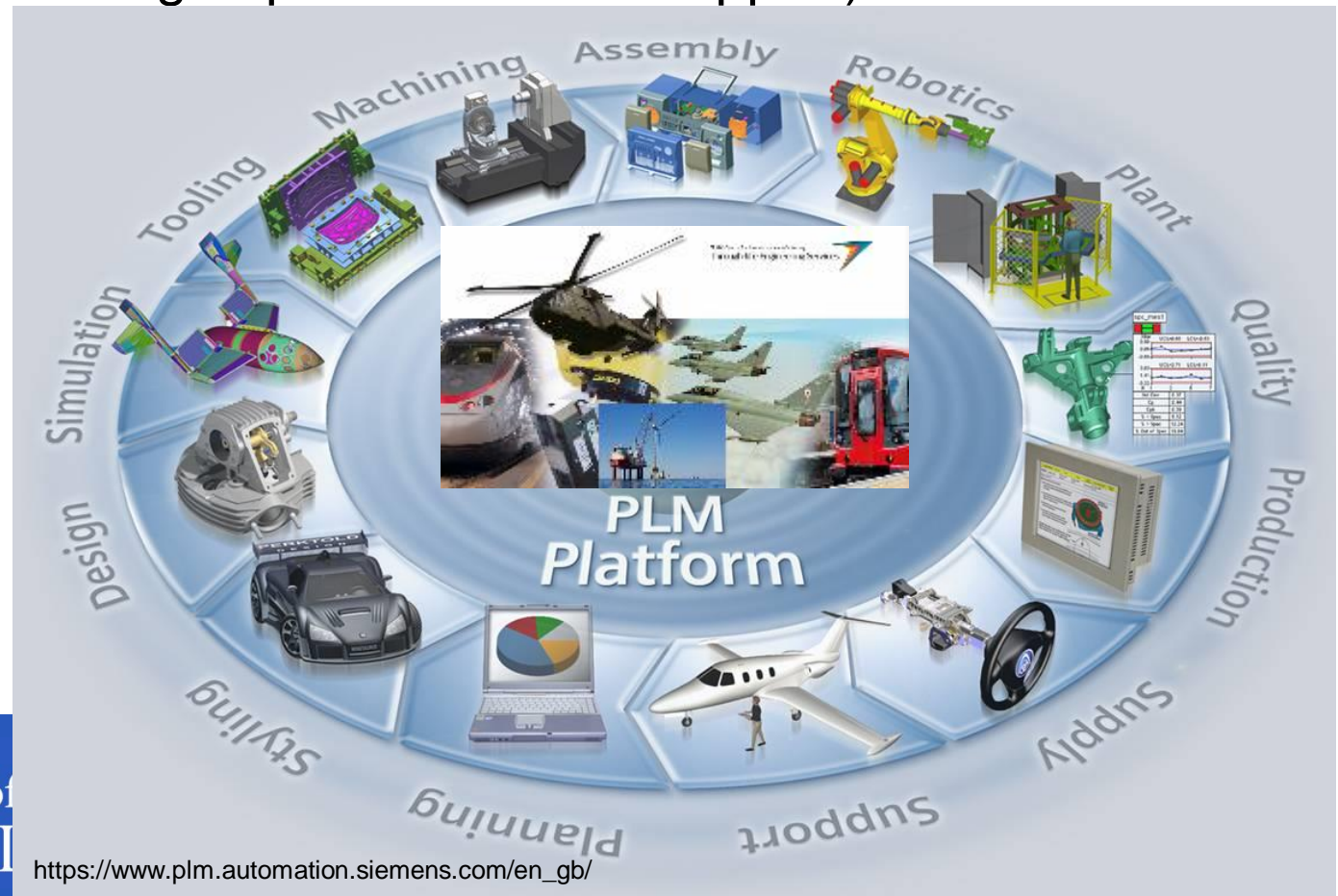
- “ Lecture 0 Introduction to coursework/assignment;
- “ Lecture 1 Introduction to VPD and PLM.
- “ Lecture 2 CAD Overview & Intro. to Engineering Curve.
- “ Lecture 3 Reverse Engineering.
- “ Lecture 4 Curve Analysis.
- “ Lecture 5 Interrogation of Solids.
- “ Lecture 6 Design for Machining & CNC Machining.
- “ Lecture 7 Process Planning for Machining.
- “ Lecture 8 Virtual Machining.
- “ Lecture 9 Iterative design, analysis and Optimisation in PLM.



# 🔥 Product Lifecycle Management (PLM)

## Introduction

- “ PLM is an information management system that integrates all the design and manufacturing activities of a company to bring a product from concept through manufacturing to the end of its life. (from concept planning to production and support)



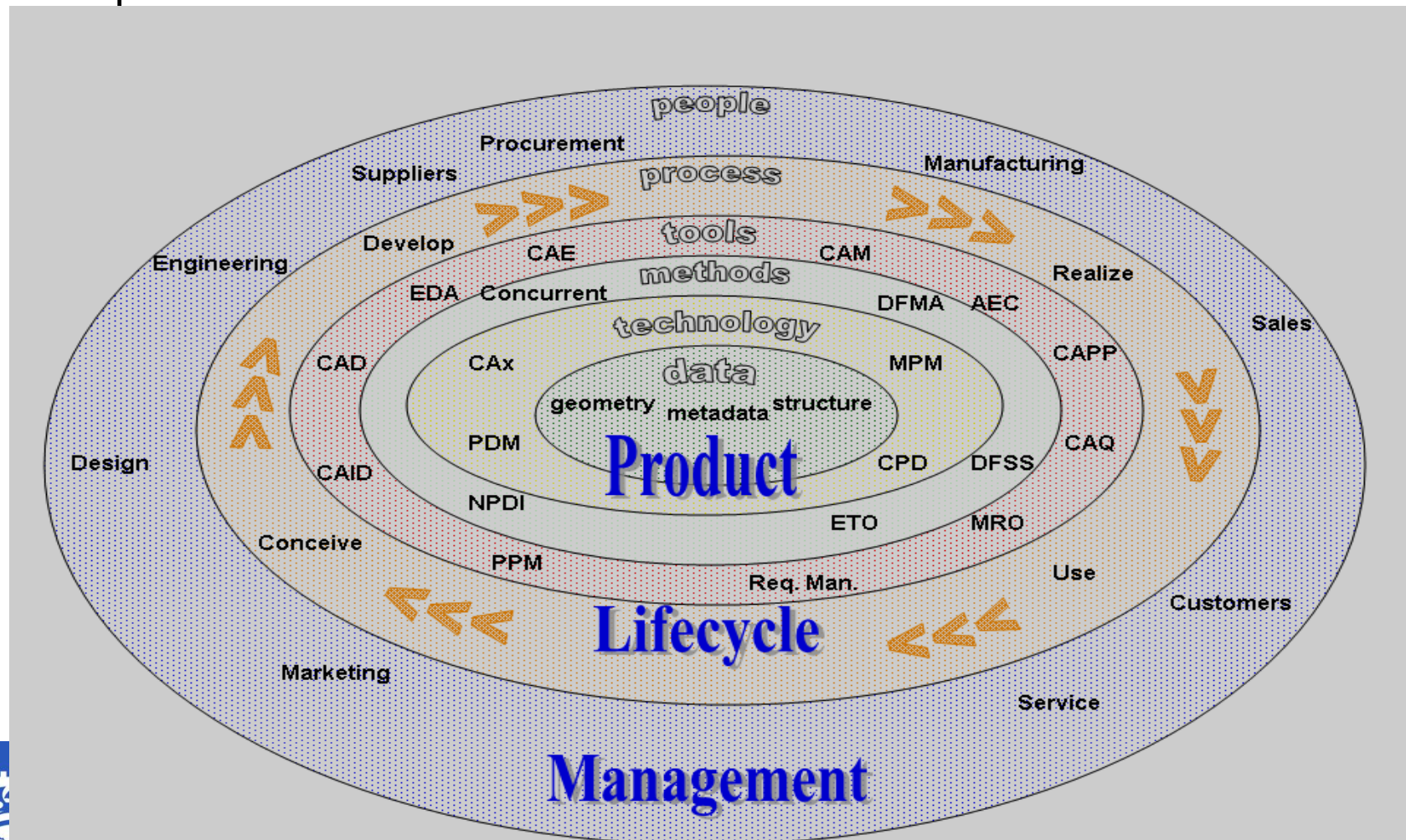
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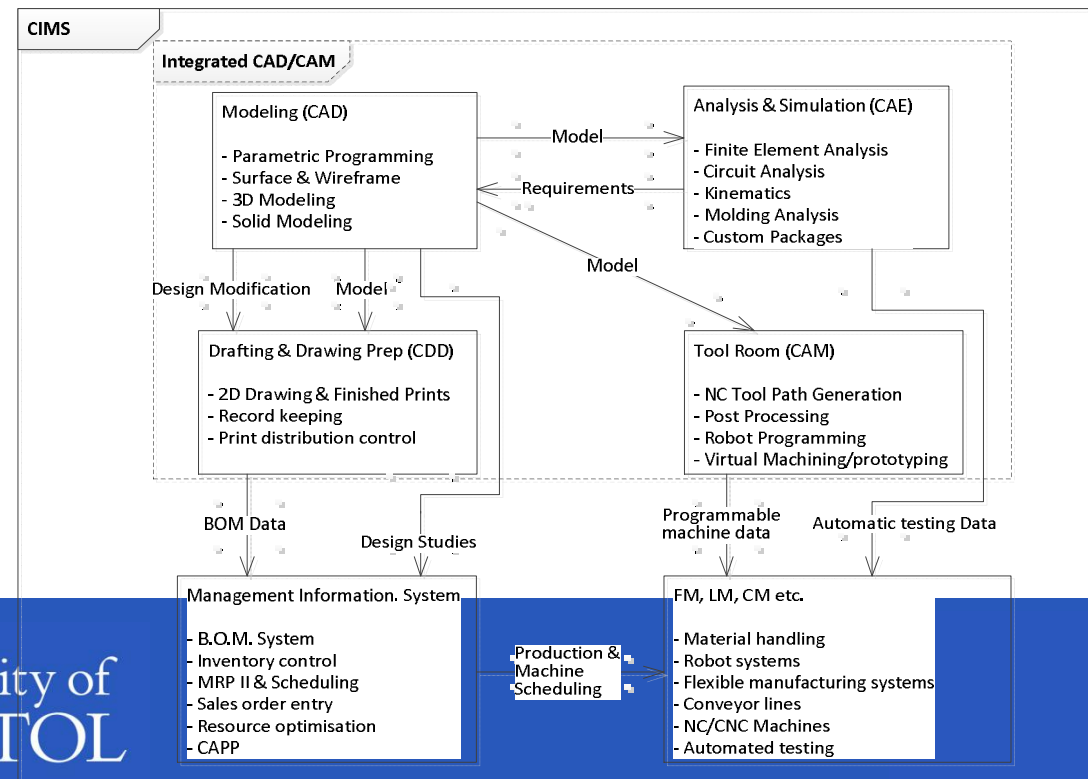
- “ The PLM allows fast and efficient use of people, processes, tools, methods and technology to develop new products for the global competitive markets.



# Product Lifecycle Management (PLM)

## Introduction

- “ The PLM helps automation of the entire production process more efficiently through manufacturing strategies such as Computer-Integrated Manufacturing Systems (CIMS) for accelerating a new product development.
- “ CIMS integrates engineering tools such as CAD, CAM, CAE with management, production planning and machine shop control activities to form a single engineering design information database.

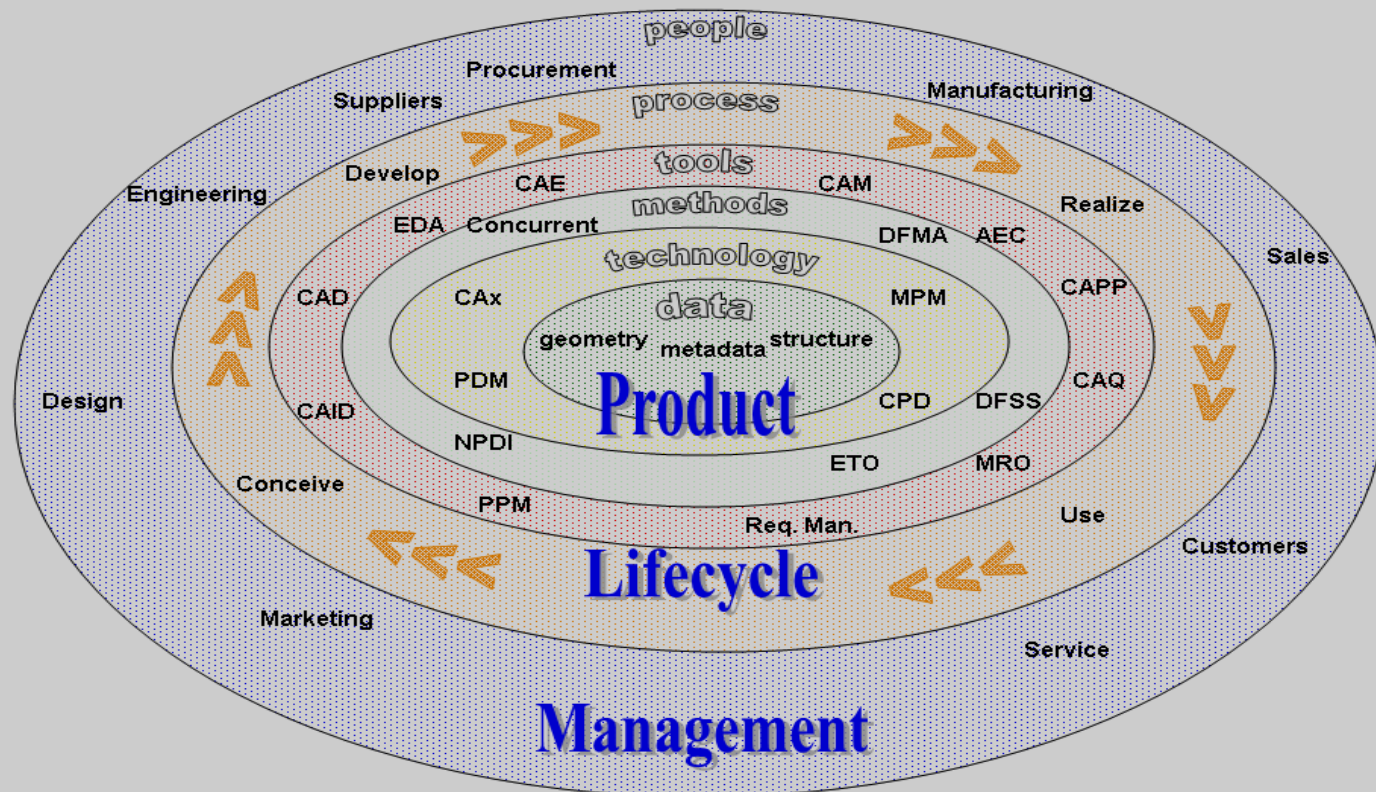


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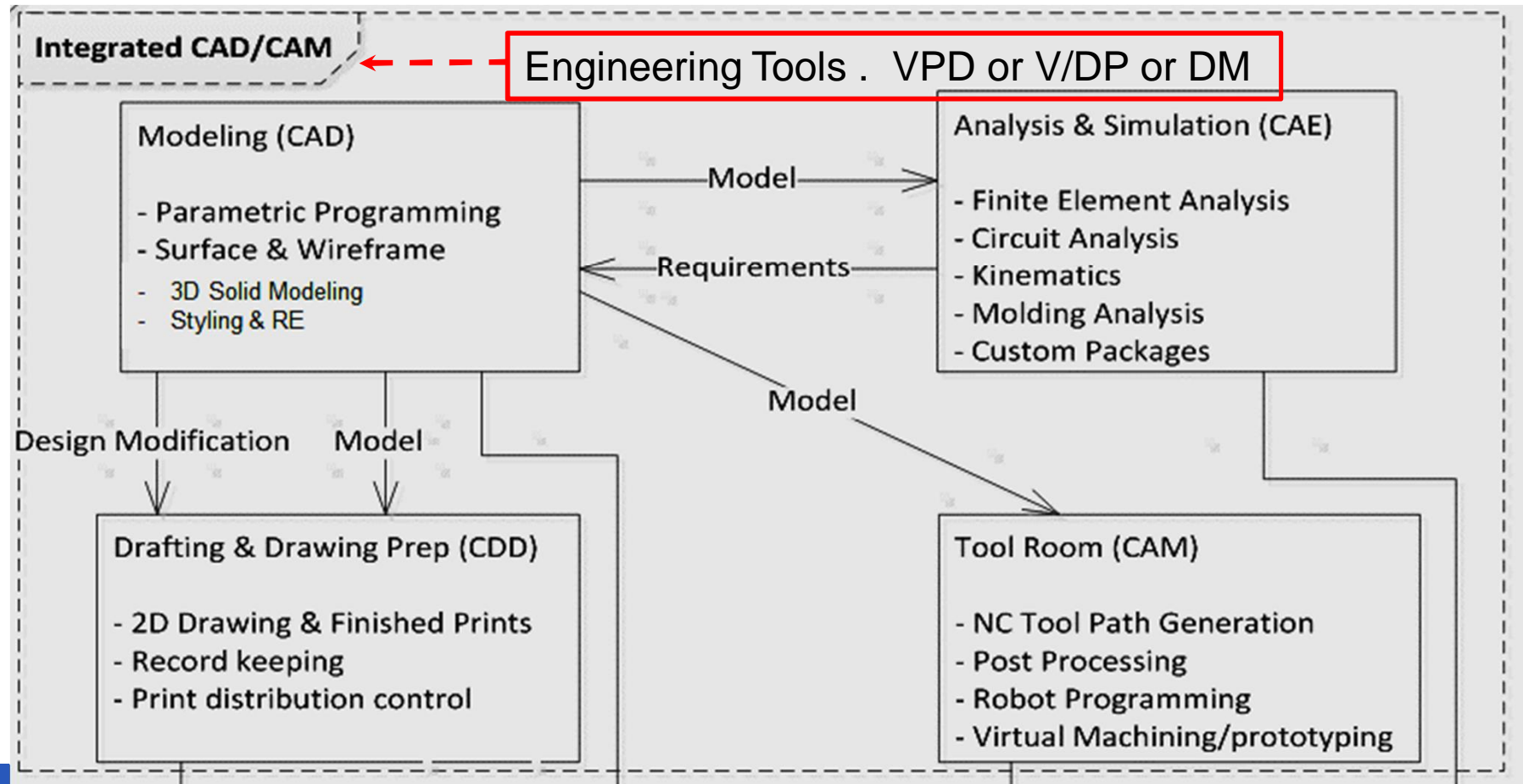
- “ CIMS allows a systematic method such as concurrent (simultaneous) engineering (CE) to integrate development of a product based on team work and customer relations.
- “ The aim of CE is performing tasks concurrently to optimize and distribute the resources in early design stages and during the development process.





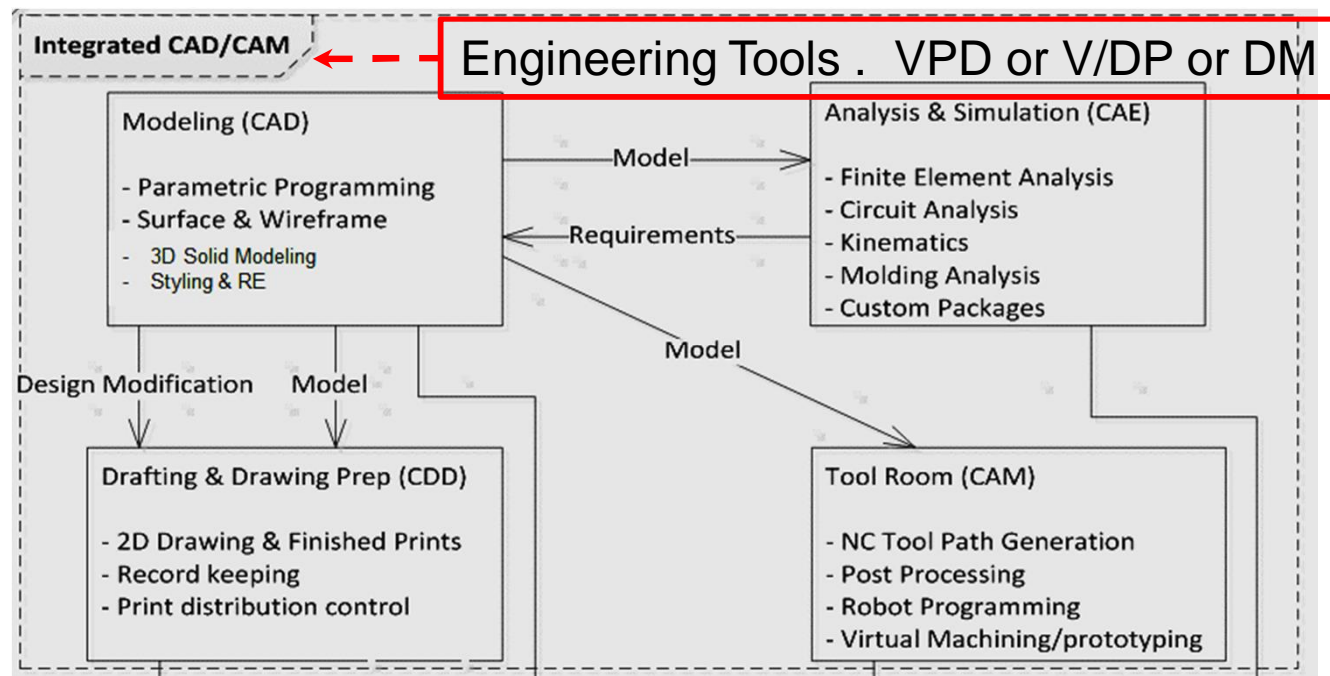
# 🔥 Product Lifecycle Management (PLM)

- Let's briefly look at a PLM environment with CIMS components, specifically at integrated CAD/CAM or digital manufacturing (DM) and its relation to Virtual Product Development (VPD) or Virtual/Digital Prototyping (V/DP).



## 🌟 Virtual Product Development (VPD); Virtual Prototyping (VP); Digital Prototyping (DP) or integrated CAD/CAM

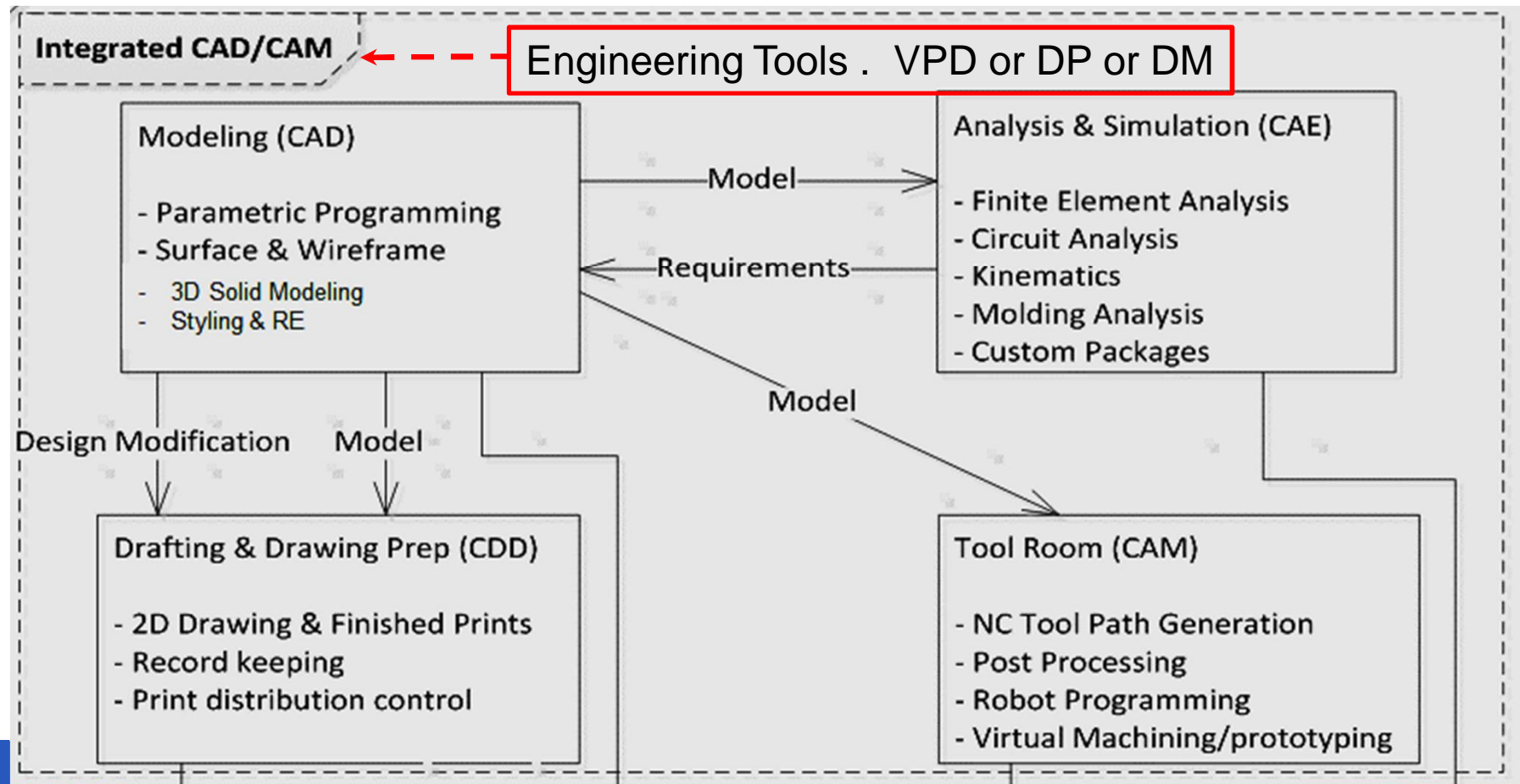
- VPD/VP/DP is a computer simulation process to design, simulate and test new products in a virtual environment before the physical prototype is made . it is a multiple digital engineering tool in the PLM.
- Companies use VPD/VP/DP to design, iterate, optimize, validate and visualize their products virtually/digitally throughout the product development process.



# 🔥 VPD/VP/DP/DM or Integrated CAD/CAM

There are four user groups in VPD/VP/DP/DM

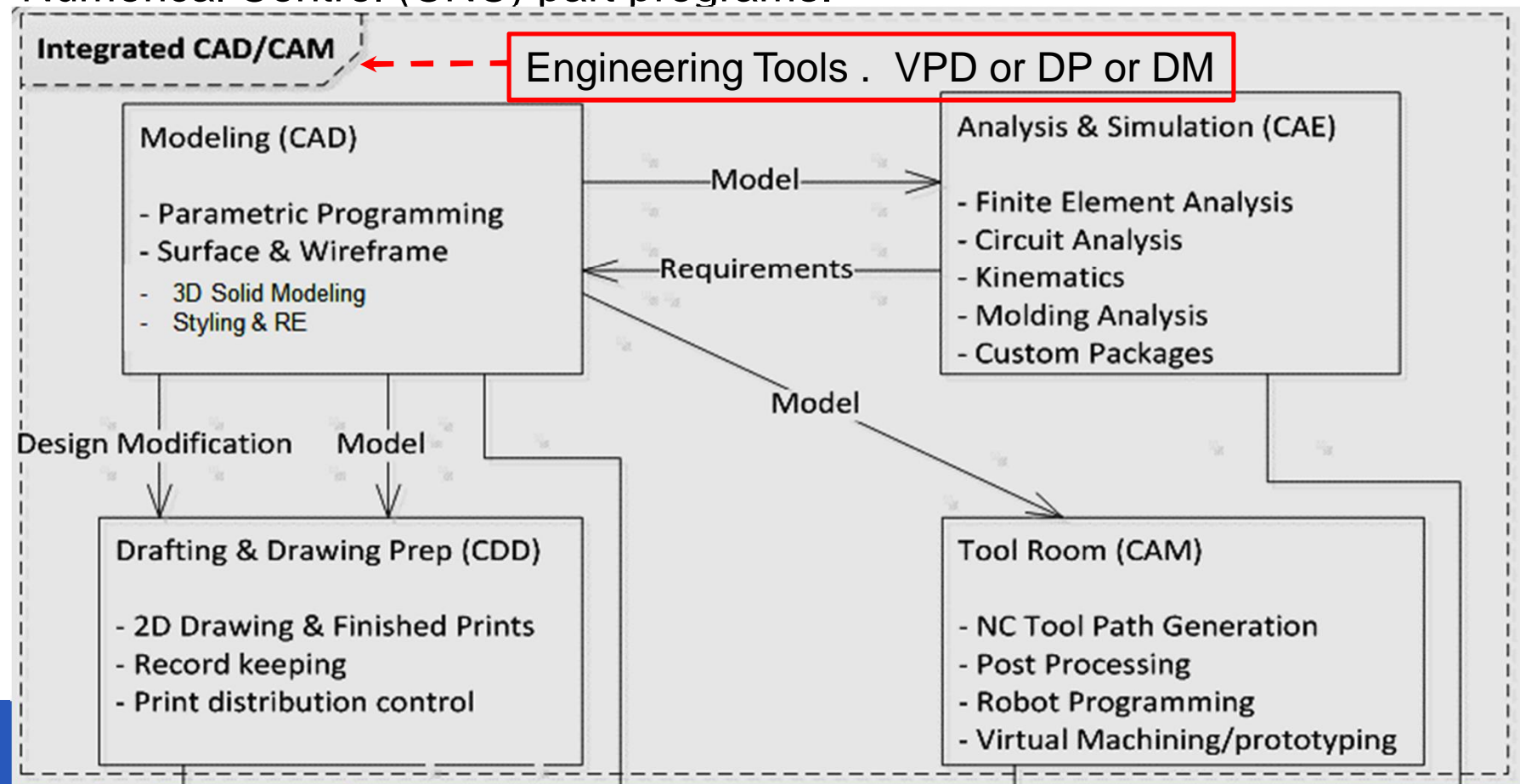
- “ **Group 1: CDD**, to produce engineering drawings and document designs.
- “ **Group 2: CAD**, to produce shaded images and animated displays.



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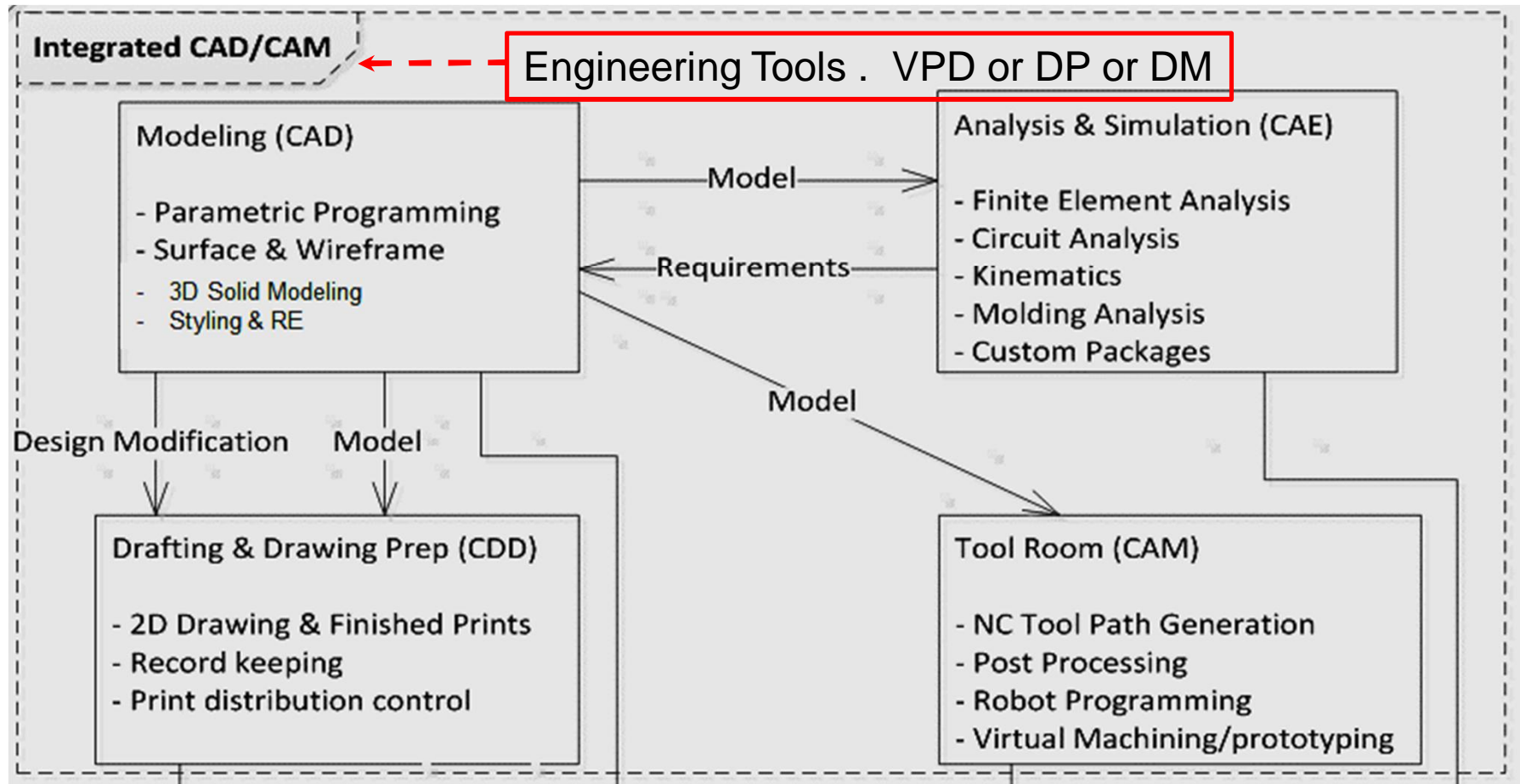
- “ **Group 3: CAE**, to perform engineering analysis such as FEA (Finite Element Analysis).
- “ **Group 4 : CAM**, to perform process planning and generate Computer-Numerical Control (CNC) part programs.





## 🔥 VPD/DP/DM or Integrated CAD/CAM

The VPD/DP/DM or integrated CAD/CAM allows these four user groups to exchange their information more efficiently and simultaneously for accelerating product development.





# VPD/VP/DP/DM

## Benefits

- “ It bridges a longstanding gap between design and production technology that has acted as a drag on %agile manufacturing+ and competitive product development.
- “ **Agile manufacturing** is a term applied to an organization that has created the processes, tools, and training to enable it to respond quickly to customer needs and market changes while still controlling costs and quality

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- “ The technology for using virtual prototypes was pioneered and adapted initially by large automotive and aerospace industries.

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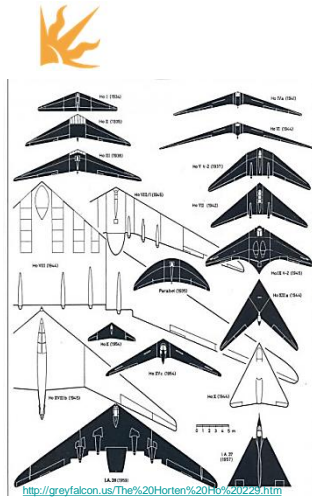
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# VPD/VP/DP/DM

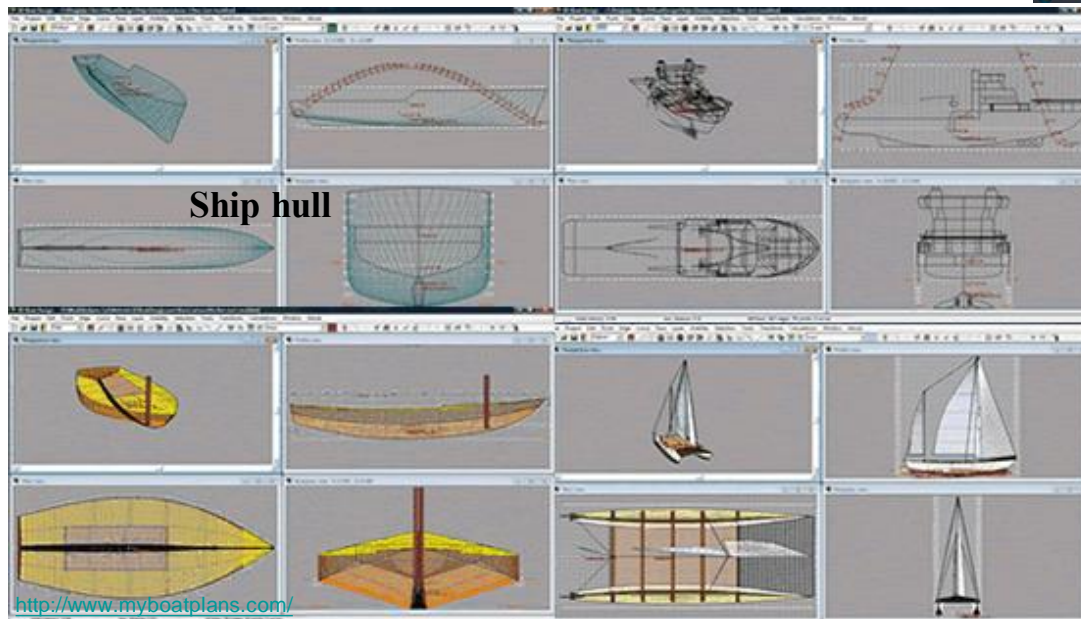
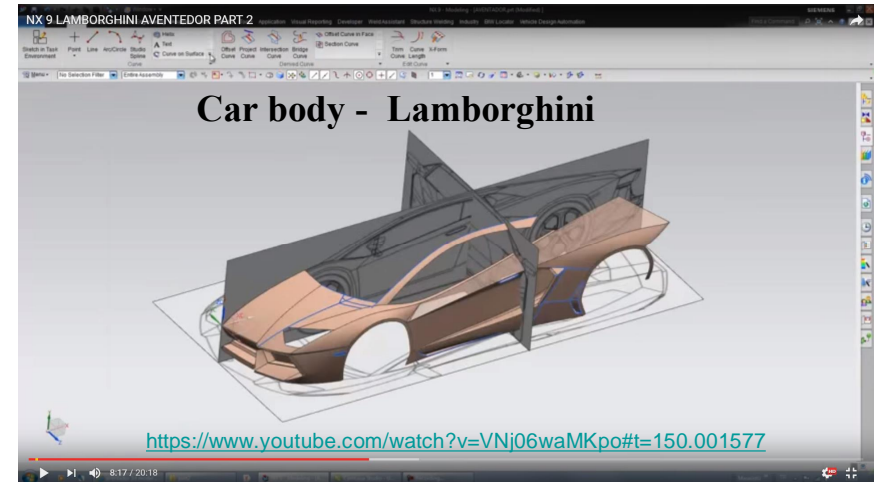
- “ VPD/VP/DP/DM has undergone rapid progress in recent years and has been widely accepted for commercial product development and research.
- “ It has become a very valued tool in the early phases of product design.

Here are a few examples;

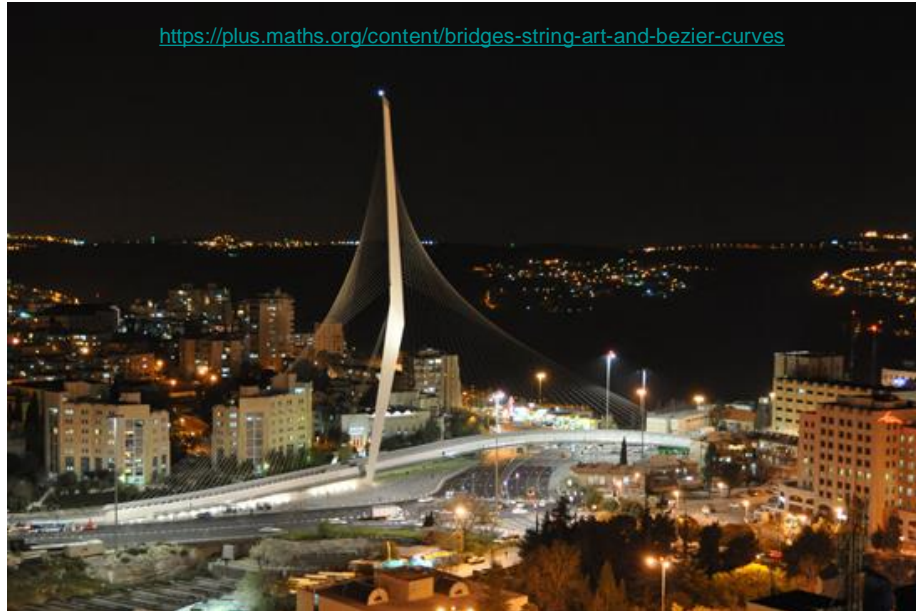
# Complex Engineering Products – Shape Design



Airplane fuselage & Wings



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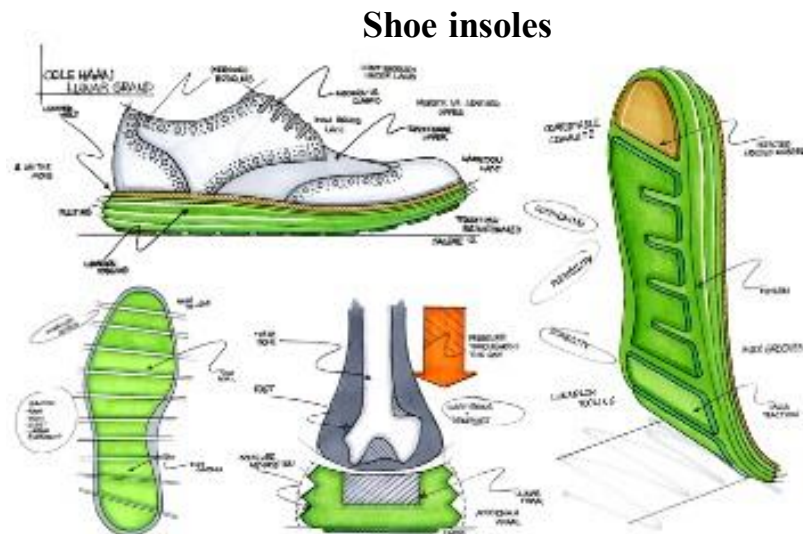
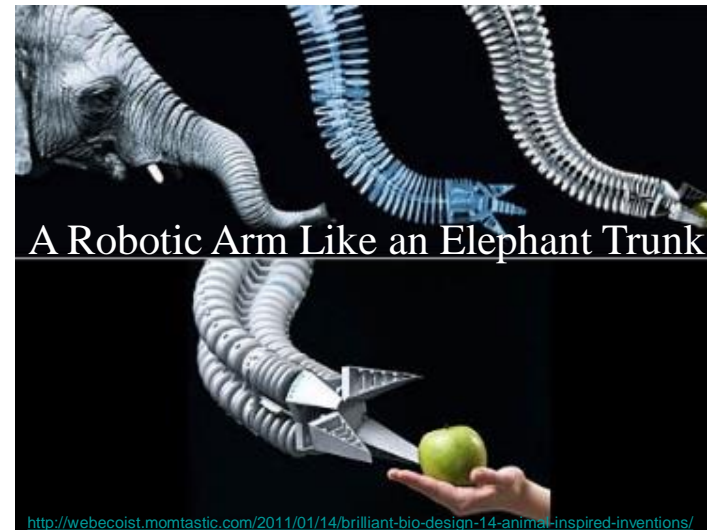
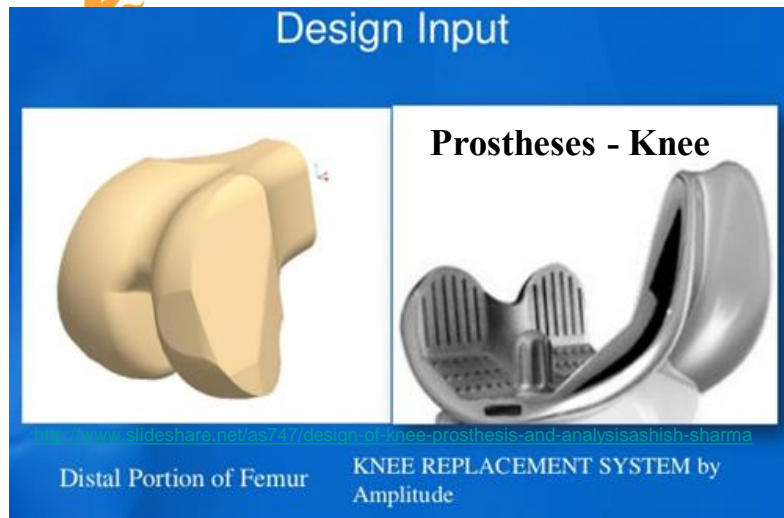
**Suspension Bridge Design**



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# Bio-inspired Products - Shape Design



EARNING FROM THE KINGFISHER HOW TO REDUCE TURBULENCE

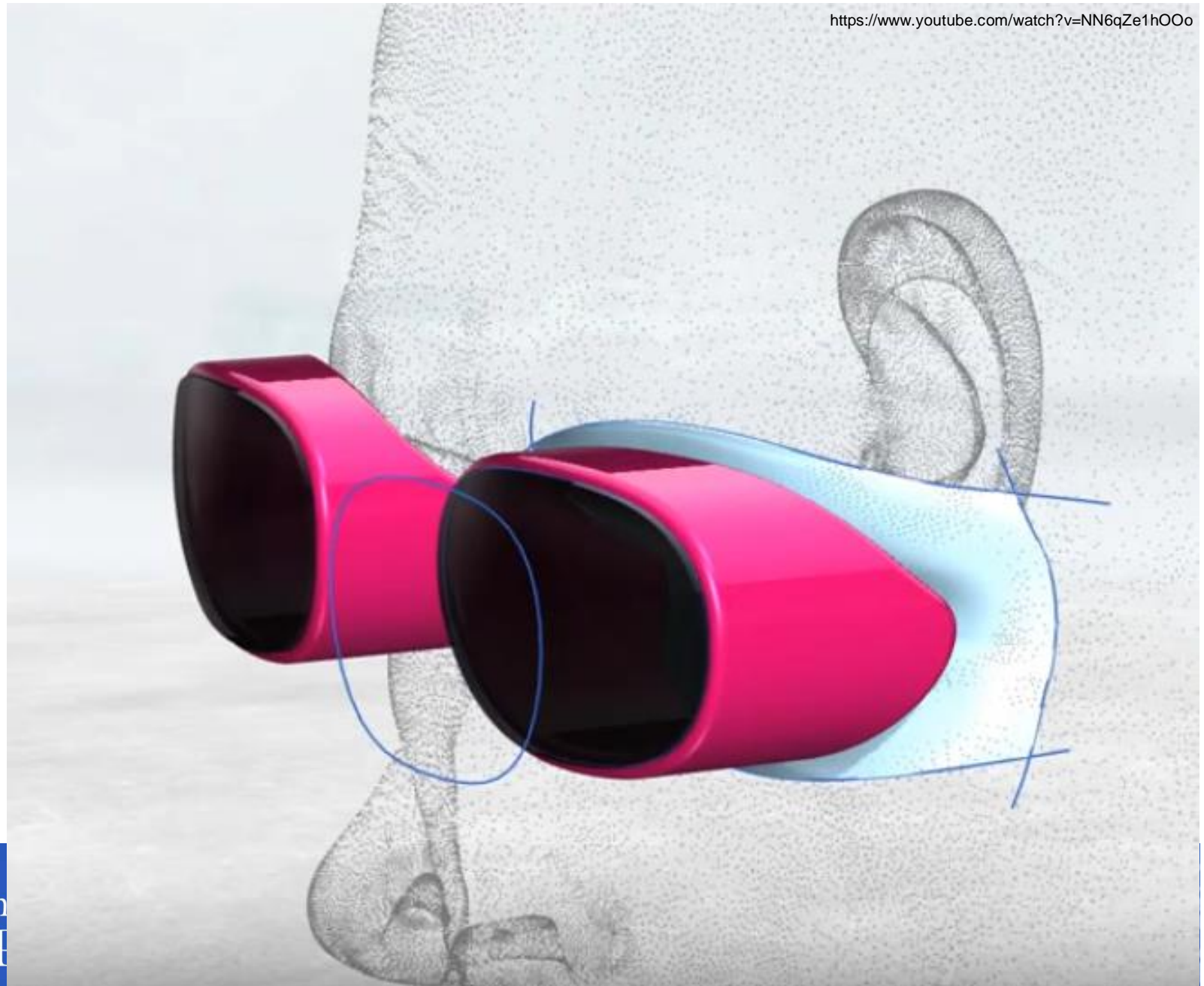
Japan - High speed bullet train

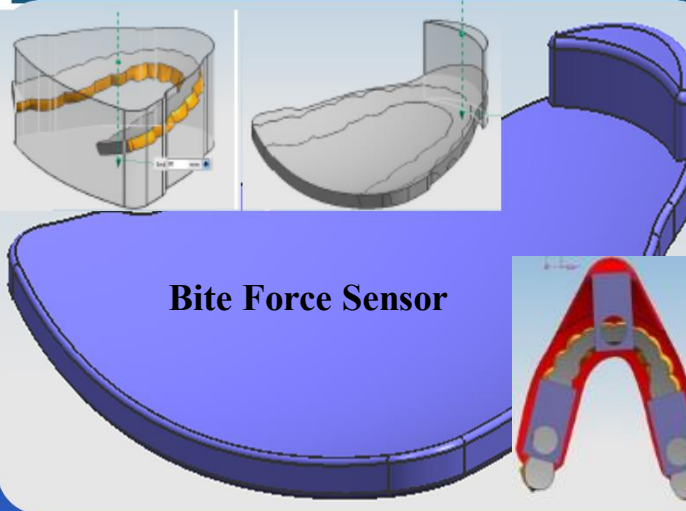






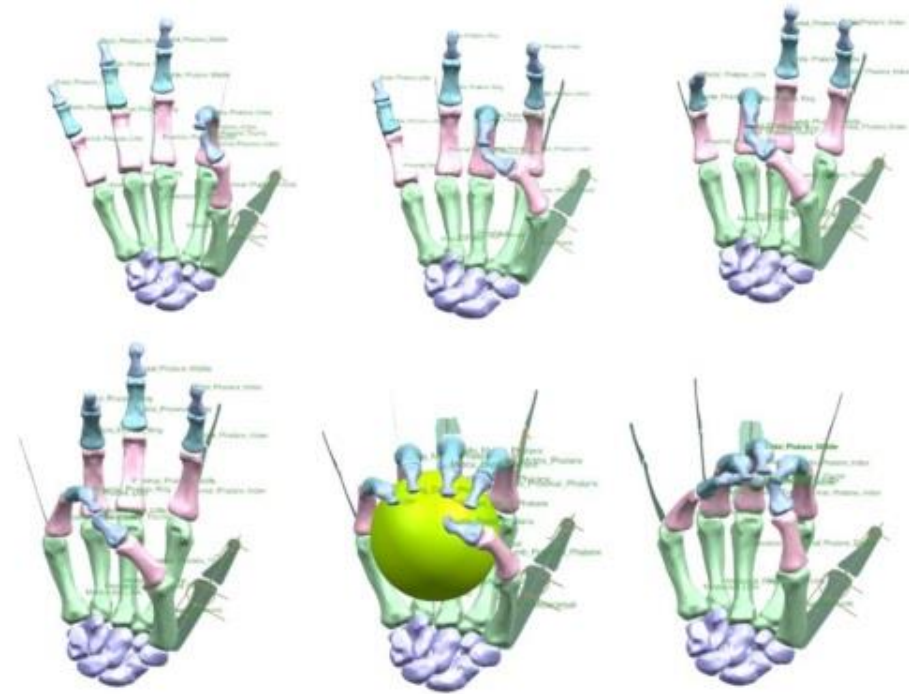
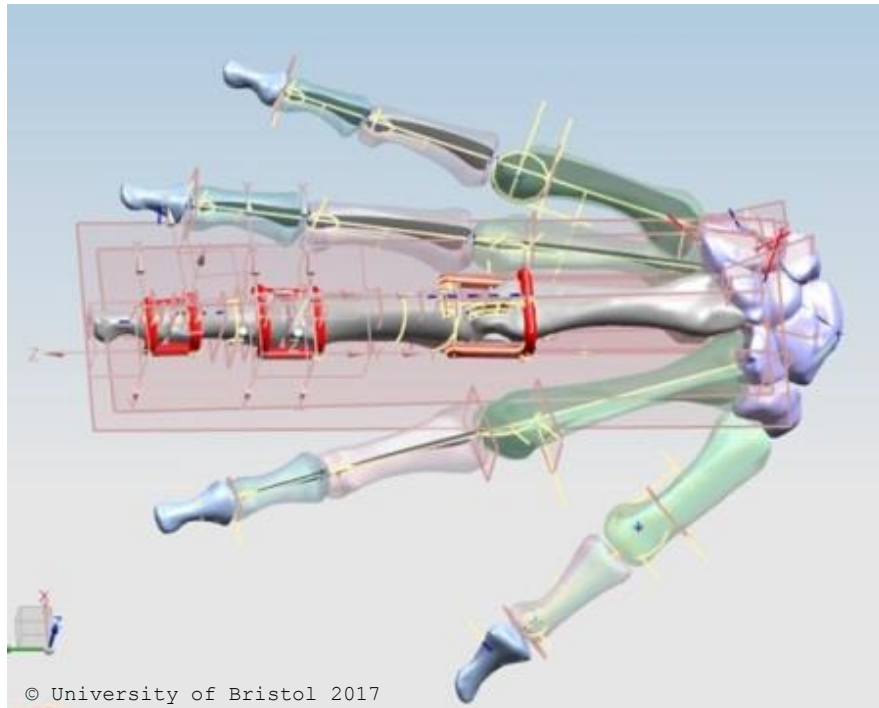
## Swimming Goggle Design







# Bio-inspired Products -Robotic Hand



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## **VPD/VP/DP/DM – Industrial Example**

- “ VP/DP of complex products require the realistic CAD representation of components, which possess accurate geometry, topology and appearance . this reflects characteristics of the target parts to perform robust analyses and simulates engineering characteristics, including behaviour with real-time responses.

Ford Engine video

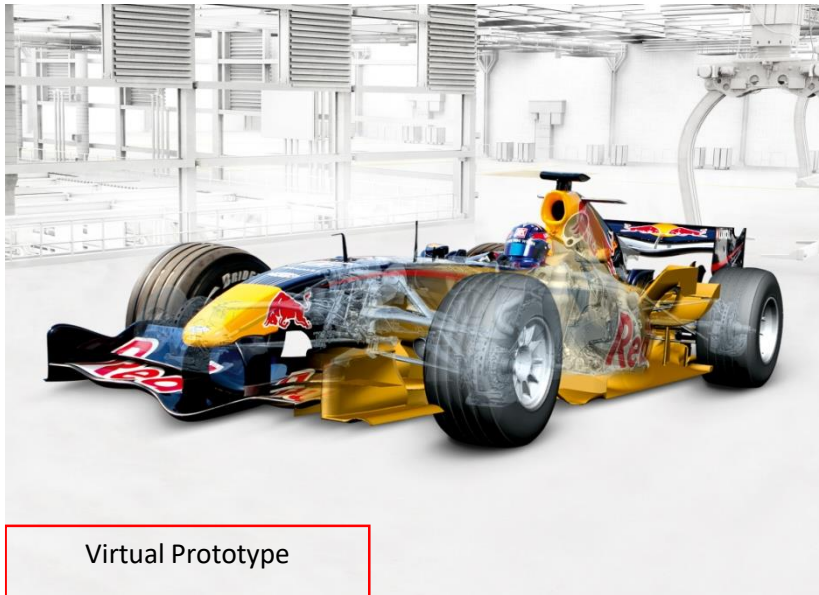
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# 🔥 Formula one –Red Bull & PLM & VP

- “ Red Bull has won the World Champions 6 times.
- “ PLM & VP help make racing cars faster and Formula One factories more energy-efficient.

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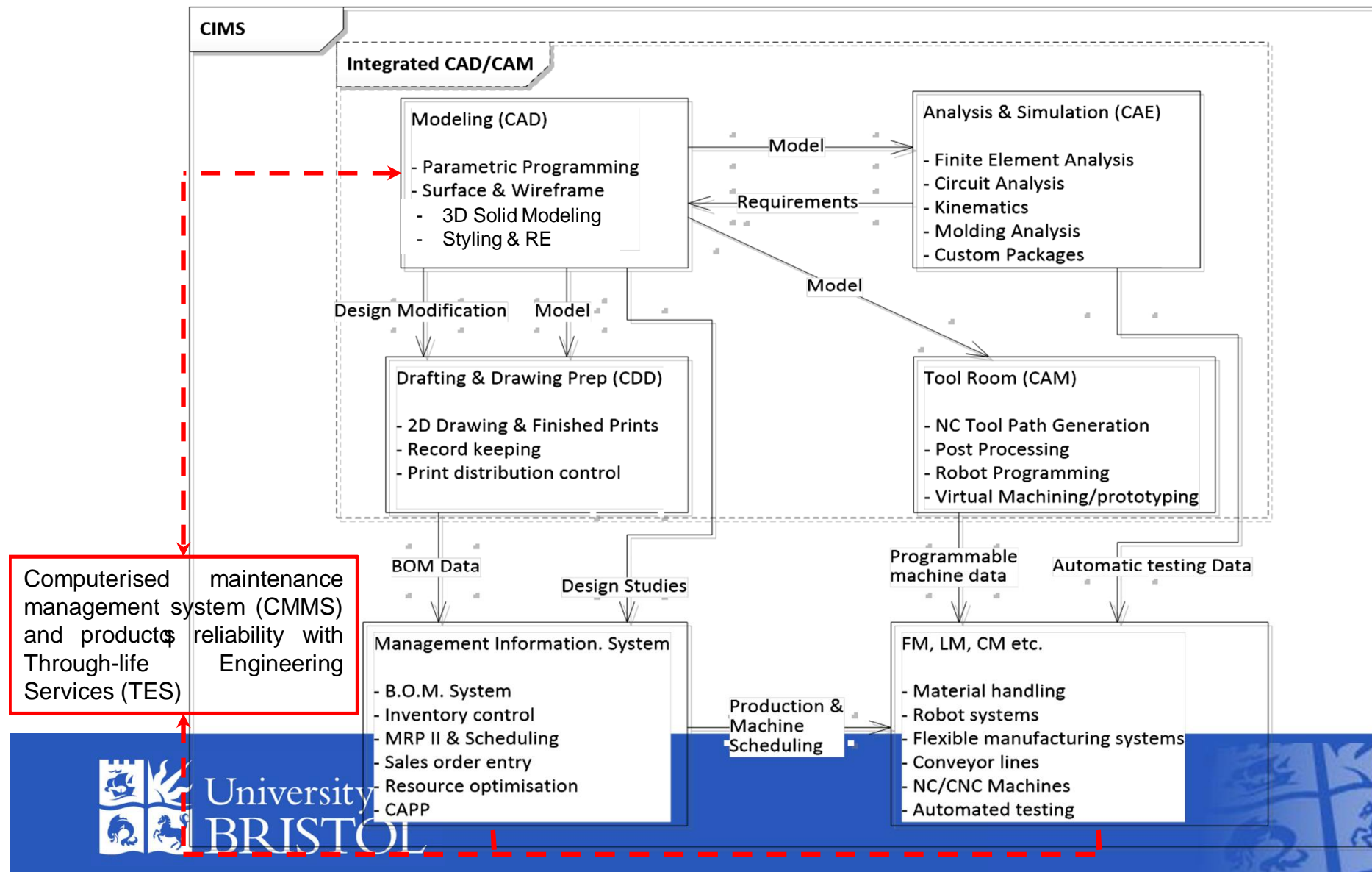
# **PLM, CMMS & TES**

## **Final Comments**

- “ The use of virtual (VDP/VP/DP/DM) technologies is of special interest in the **development and maintenance** of the products, mainly due to the large costs, sizes and complexity of physical prototypes (e.g. military, aerospace, wind turbine manufactures and high capital cost equipment).
- “ Integration of CIMS and computerised maintenance management system (CMMS), products reliability and Through-life Engineering Services (TES) will create real PLM.
- “ (TES) provide product support throughout each stage of the product-life cycle: from conception, through design, manufacture and operational life, to its disposal.

# PLM, CMMS & TES

Real PLM environment integrated with CIMS:



# 🔥 Through-life Engineering Services (TES)

- Through-life Engineering Services (TES) provide product support throughout each stage of the product-lifecycle: from conception, through design, manufacture and operational life, to its disposal.

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EPSRC Centre for Innovative Manufacturing  
Through-life Engineering Services



# Product Lifecycle Management (PLM)

For further information about TES & PLM and its applications in renewable energy . for wind turbines see my latest publications.

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# **VPD & PLM Presentation**

Any questions?