



# Introduction to Mechatronic System Simulation

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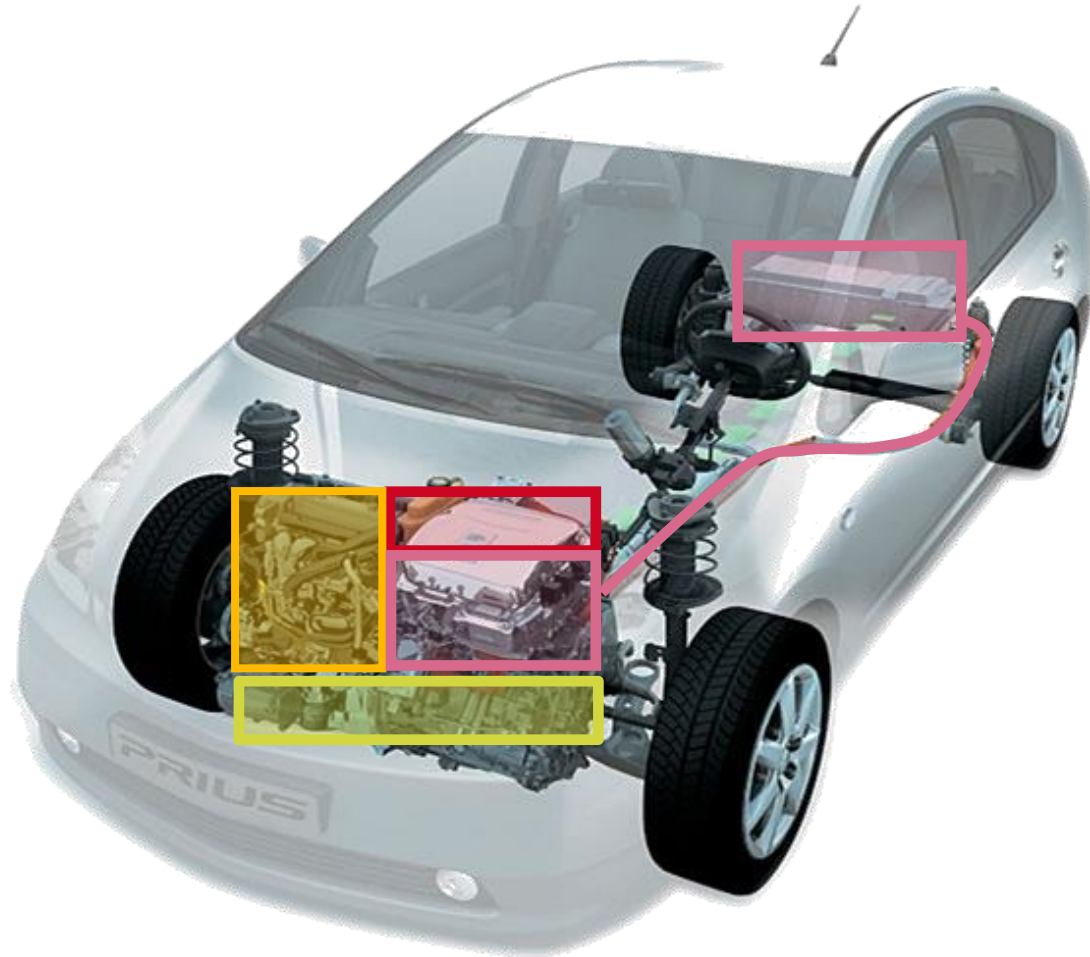
## What is a system?

A group of  
multi-domain | multi-physics  
components  
interacting together

# What is a system? Examples

## Hybrid vehicle

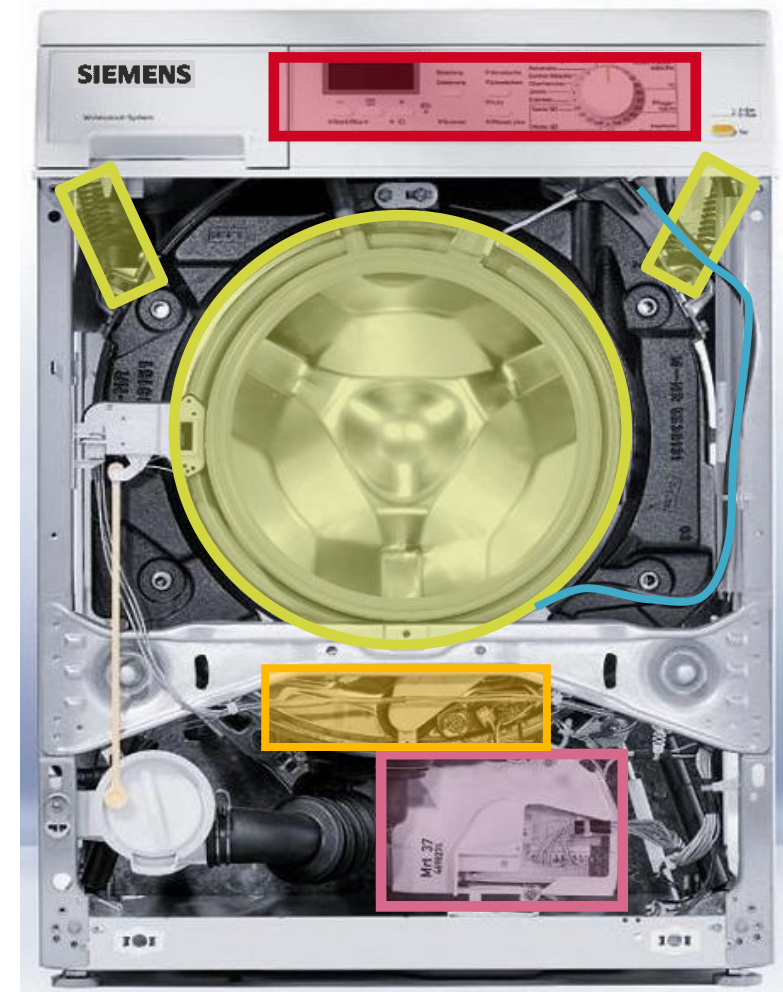
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# What is a system? Examples

## Washing machine

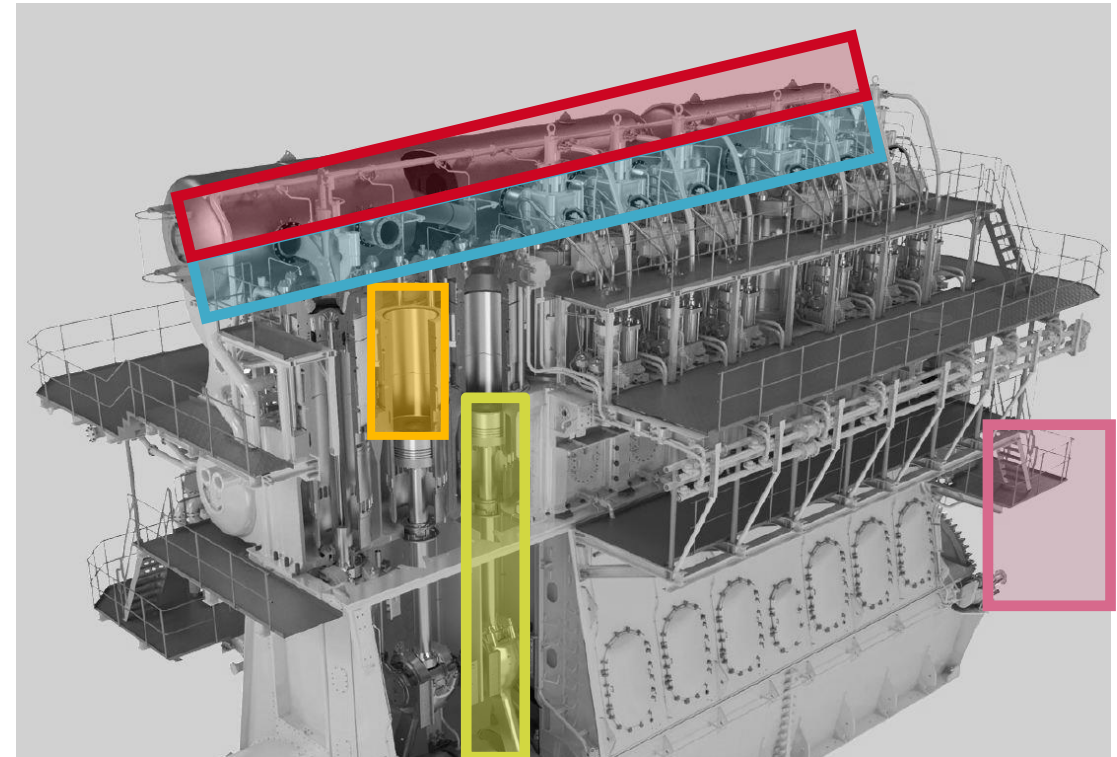
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# What is a system? Examples

## IC engine

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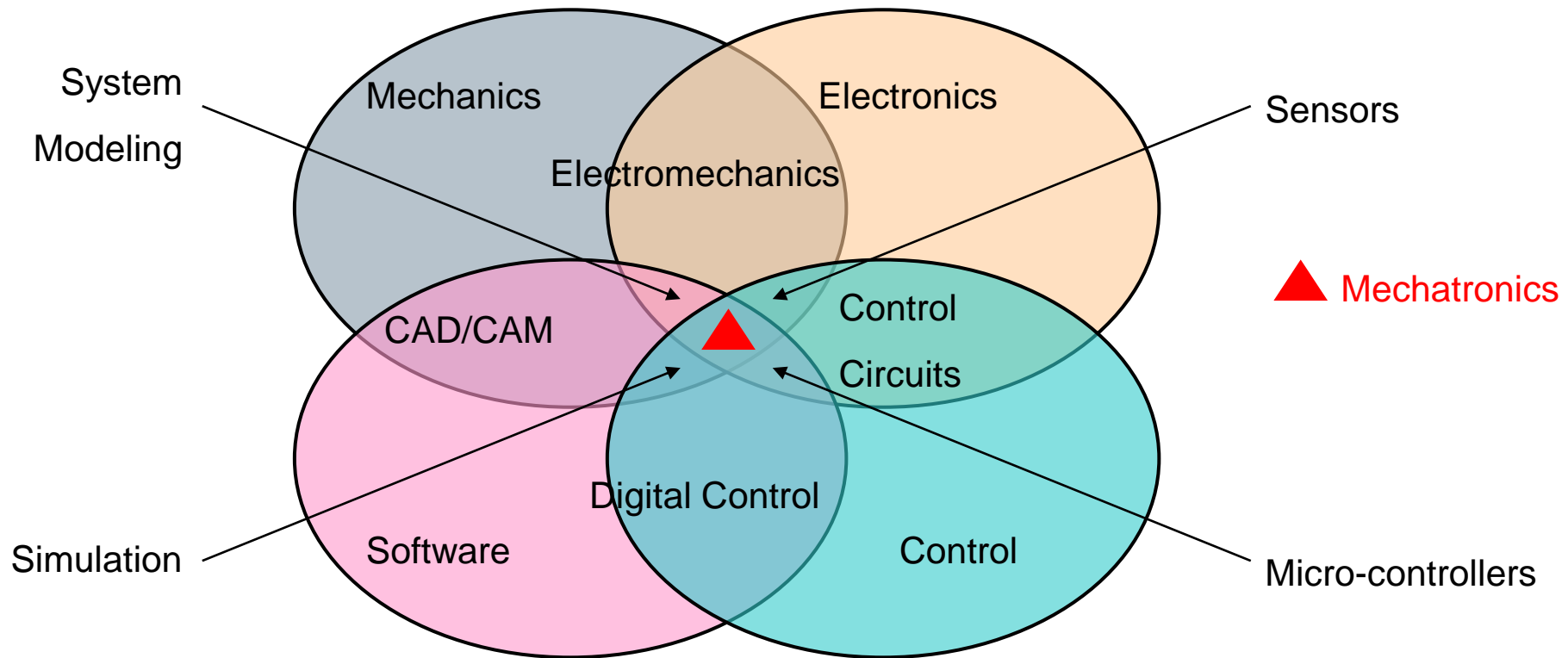


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# “Mechatronics” definition

“The synergistic combination of mechanical, electronic, control and software engineering”  
(Wikipedia)



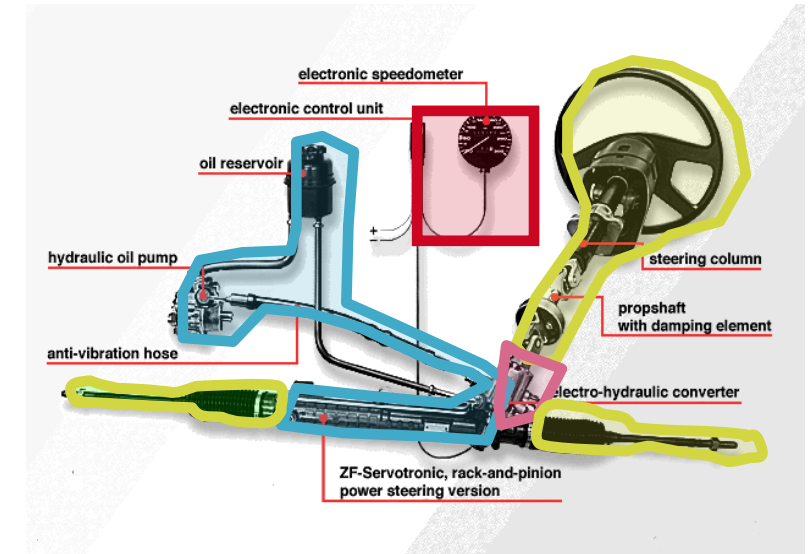
# What is Mechatronic System Simulation?

## Classical design issues :

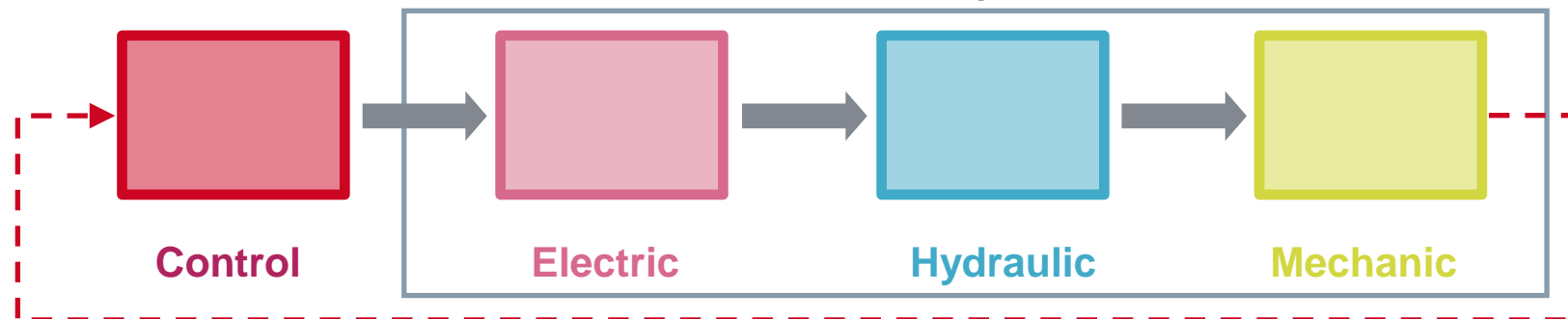
- Is the electric motor powerful enough?
- What is the time response of the system?
- What maximum pressure can be reached?
- Is there any risk of vibration?
- How to optimize the control design?

## Key words :

- **Multiphysics** with **power exchange**
- Dynamic system (function of **time**)
- Physical system model = **plant model**



Simcenter Amesim plant model



# Abstraction level – Equations – Representation

- Equations are usually written as **time dependent** with a focus on computing state derivative of variables to assess transient evolution
- Physical equations of component behavior are represented by **readable objects (icons)**

## Equations level

## Physical icon representation

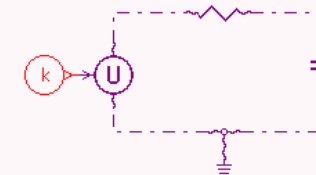
### Mechanics

$$M * dx / dt^2 = F - Rdx / dt - Kx$$
$$s^2 + 2 \cdot z \cdot \omega_n \cdot s + \omega_n^2 = 0$$



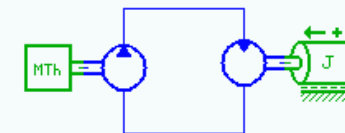
### Electric

$$U = R * I$$
$$dU / dt = I / C$$



### Hydraulics

$$Q = displ * \Omega$$
$$T = displ * \Delta P$$



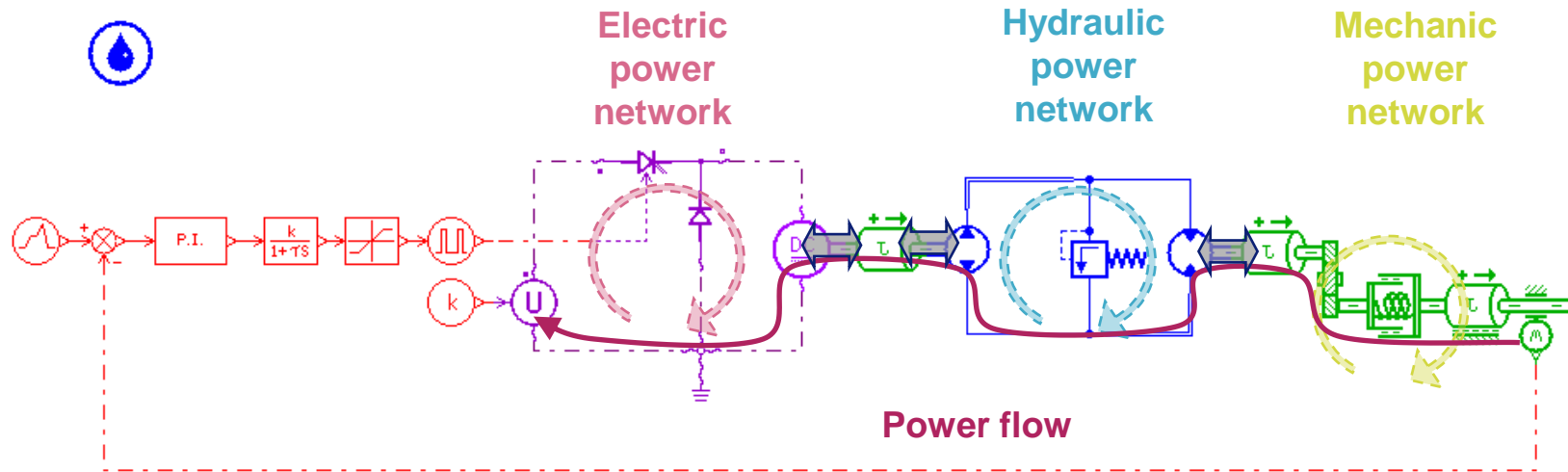
And many other physical domains...

# Power flow and power conservation

- System simulation is linked to the **power flow** and **power conservation** within a dynamical system
- Each power network can be modeled using different physics with **gates** between subsystem frontiers

- **control**
- **electric**
- **hydraulic**
- **mechanic**

Tension	U	Current	I
Pressure	P	Flow rate	Q
Torque	T	RPM	$\Omega$



You are **manipulating equations**, not drawing a circuit!

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## A concept



It is an approach to modeling and analyzing **multi-domain systems**, and thus predicting their multi-disciplinary **performance**, by connecting validated analytical modeling blocks of electrical, hydraulic, pneumatic and mechanical **subsystems** into a comprehensive and schematic **full-system model**.

**One-dimensional computer-aided engineering (1D CAE)**, also referred to as **Mechatronic System Simulation**, is multi-domain systems simulation in combination with controls.

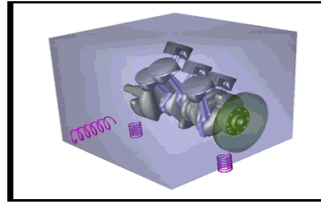
1D CAE helps you create a **concept design** of complex mechatronic systems, analyze their **transient** and **steady-state behavior**, and front-load **design decisions** when integrating **intelligent** systems into your product.

# Example of transmission solutions

Modeling interactions between all transmission subsystems

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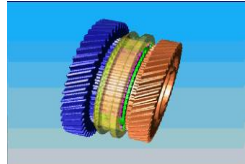
## Engine

Crankshaft  
Camshaft Vibrations  
Torque oscillations



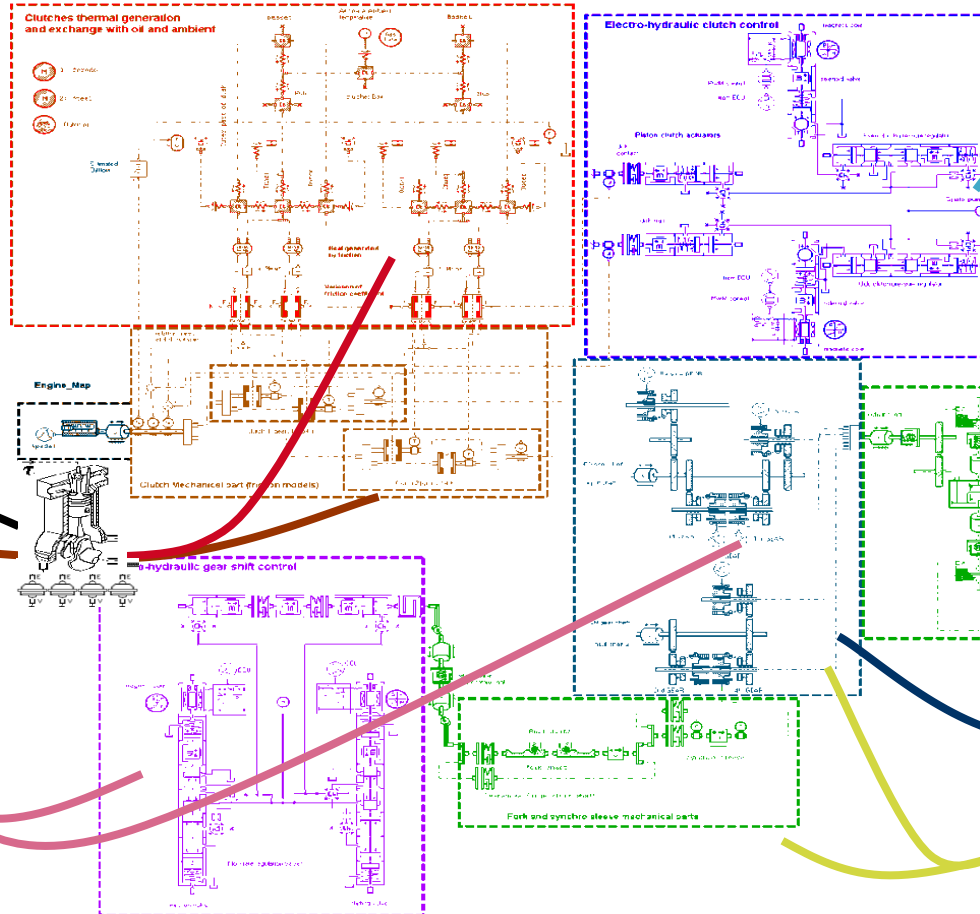
## Clutch / DMF

Dry/Wet, Multidisk, dampers  
Thermal aspects, slip control

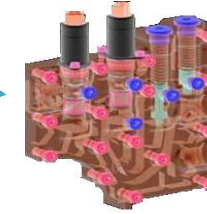


## Shift control

Synchronizers, 3D animations  
Planetary gear trains  
Gearshift control



**DCT model for Gear shift Comfort analysis (0-40Hz)**



## Actuation

Switch valves  
Pressure regulation  
Hydraulic/electric  
Networks



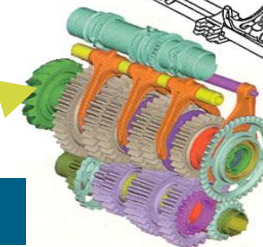
## Driveline

2D/3D modeling  
U-joints, tires  
ESP / ASR  
Piloted differential



## Transmission

Robotized / automatics  
DCT/Hybrid  
IVT/CVT



## A concept

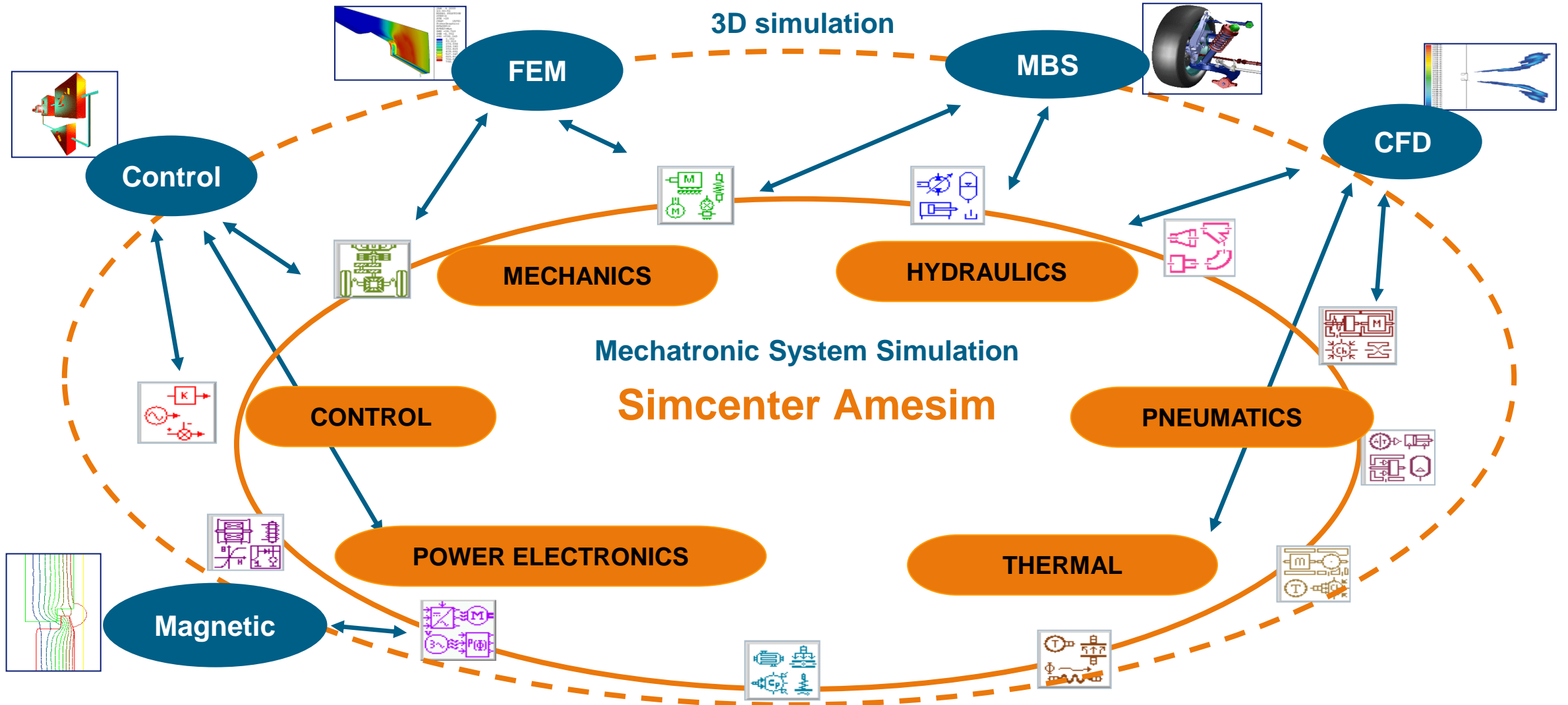
1D CAE software uses **validated libraries** containing **predefined components** for different physical domains.

These standard representations allow you to investigate **different concepts** at the very **early stages** of the design, even before any CAD (computer-aided design) geometry is available.

**Parameters** can be refined and **details** can be added as they become available, making 1D CAE a **perfect complement** to detailed 3D CAE **throughout the entire design cycle.**



# Positioning in the CAE world



## A concept

1D CAE calculations are **very efficient**. The components are **analytically defined**, and have input and output ports. Causality is created by connecting the inputs of a component to the output of another one (and vice-versa).

The resulting mathematical system has a **very limited number of degrees of freedom** compared to 3D CAE. This solution **speed**, the **openness** of 1D CAE software to different types of software codes and the **real-time** capabilities allow you to streamline the system development process.

1D CAE offers you an open development approach, starting from **functional requirements to physical modeling and simulation**, enabling concurrent engineering of mechatronic systems in a **collaborative** design environment.

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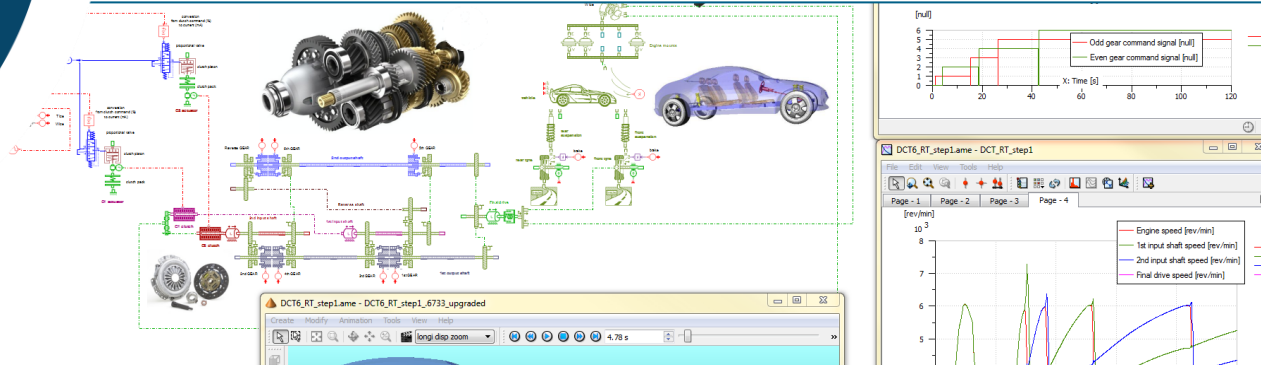
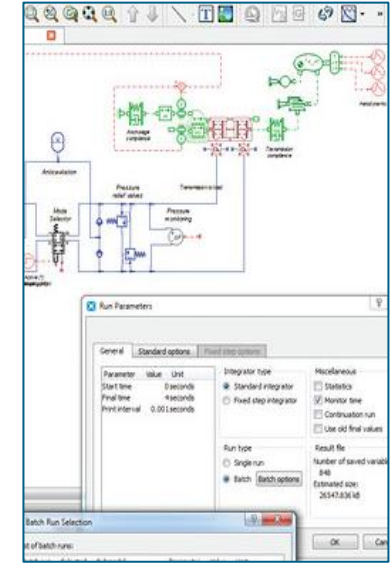
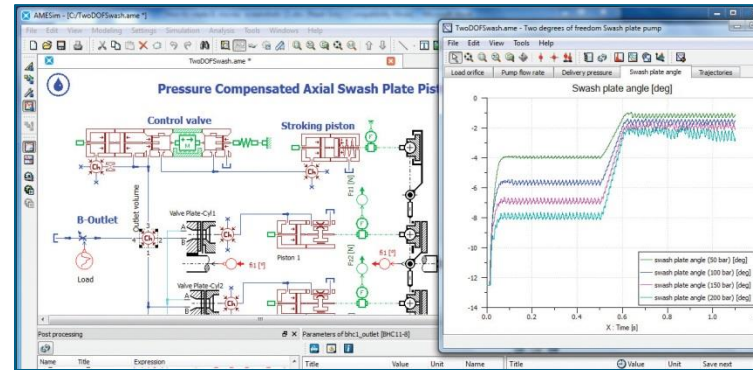
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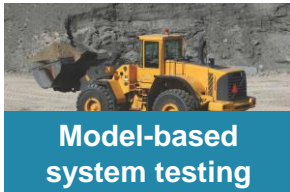


## Simcenter Amesim



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## Simcenter Amesim and Simcenter System Synthesis



**Model-based system testing**

**Industry specific**

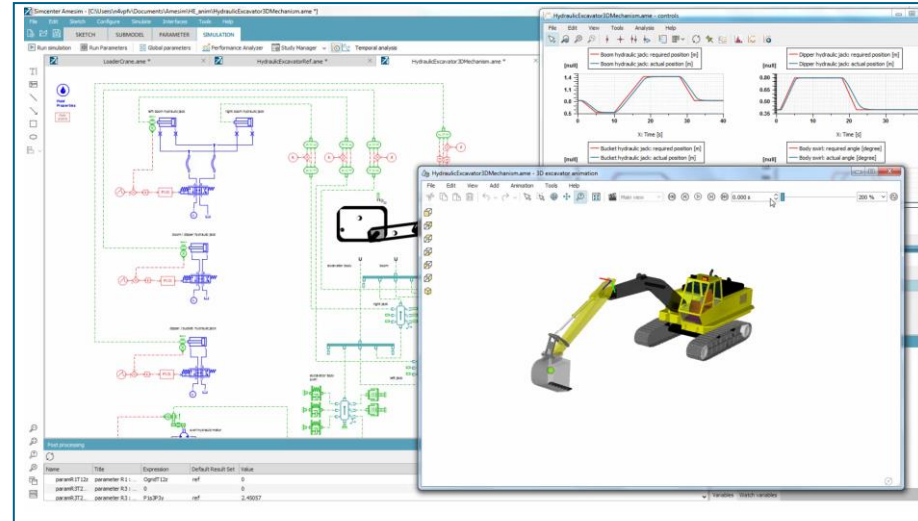
- Internal combustion
- After treatment
- Transmission
- Thermal systems
- Vehicle dynamics
- Electrical systems
- Pumps and compressors
- Electrohydraulic valves
- Fluid actuation systems
- Heat exchangers
- Heat pumps / refrigerators

**Pre-design**

**Systems sizing and integration**

**Performance balancing**

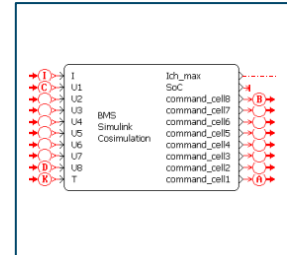
**Controls validation**



**Scalable simulation**

**Connecting “mechanical” – “controls”**

**Model reduction for real-time**

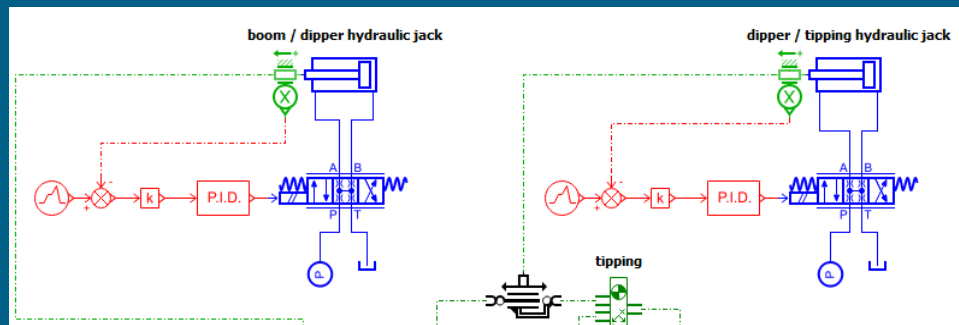


**Co-simulation**

**Open and customizable**

**>48 libraries**

**>6,500 multi-physics models**



**Hydraulics**

**Pneumatics**

**Thermal**

**Electrical**

**Mechanical**

**Signals**

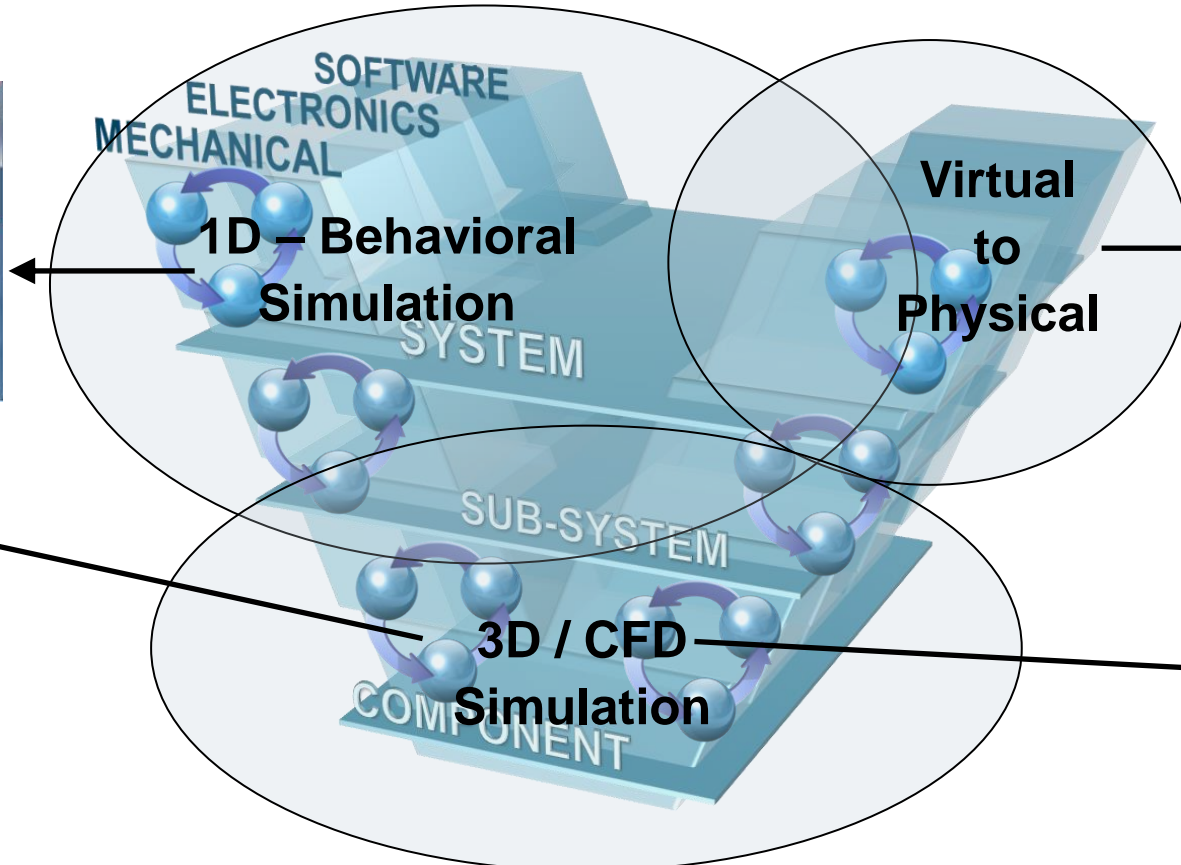
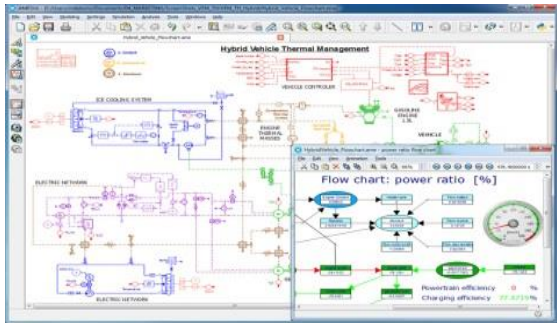
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**System architecture management**

# Simcenter™ for Predictive Engineering Analytics Enabling “Closed Loop” System Driven Product Development



## Simcenter Amesim

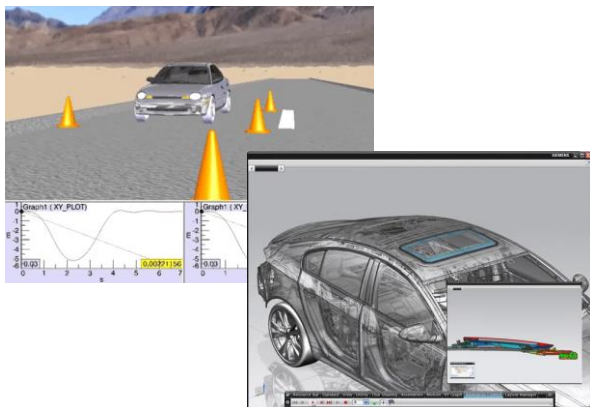


## Simcenter Test.Lab

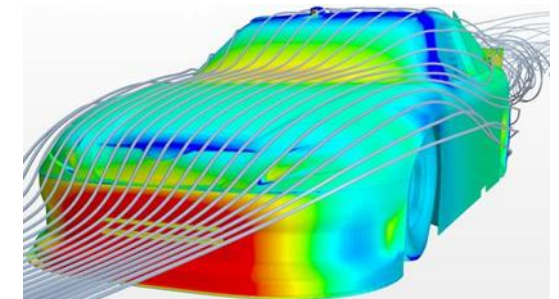


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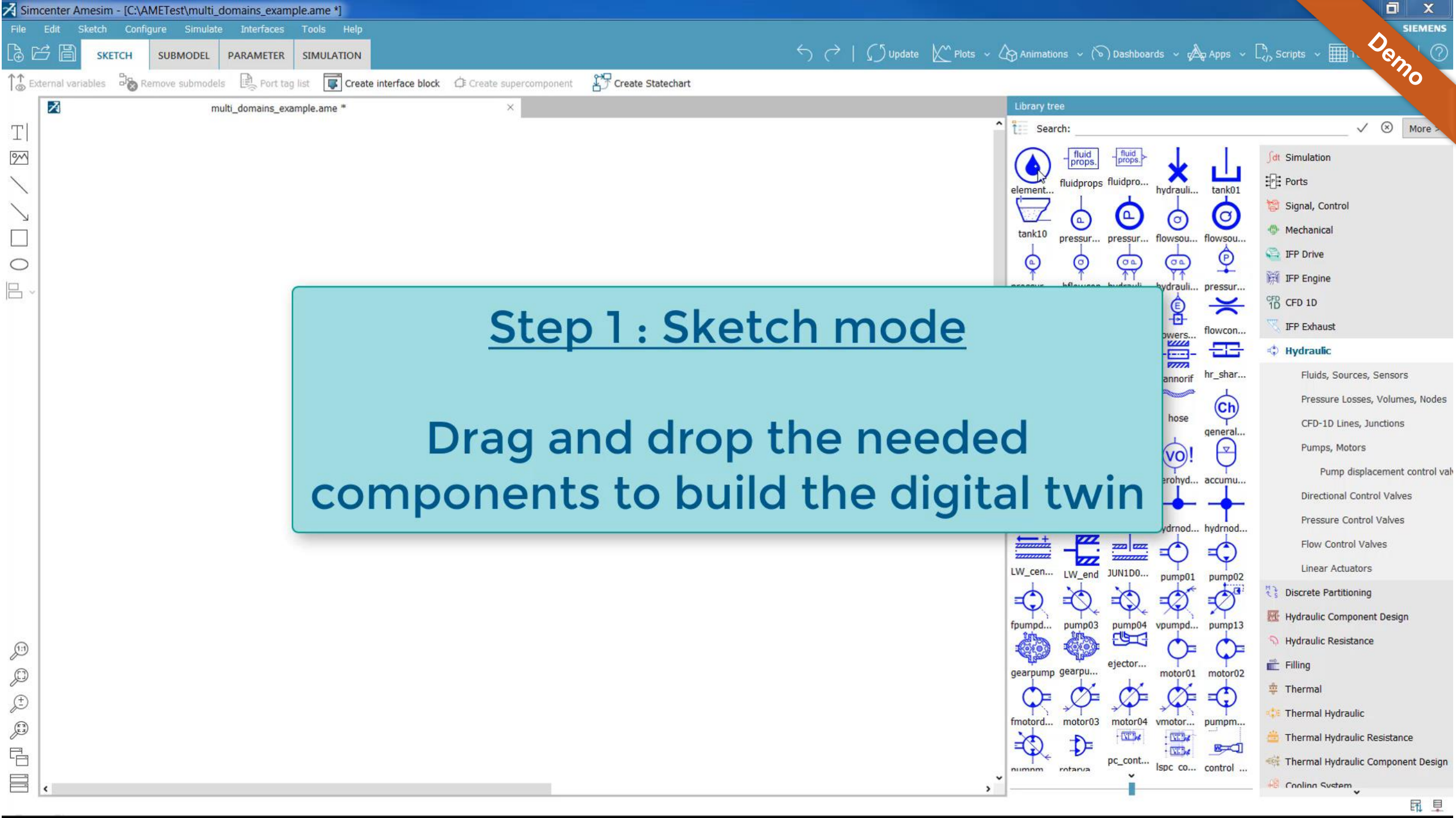
## Simcenter 3D Simcenter Nastran



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## Scalable 1D - 3D Simulation



Demo

# Step 1 : Sketch mode

Drag and drop the needed components to build the digital twin

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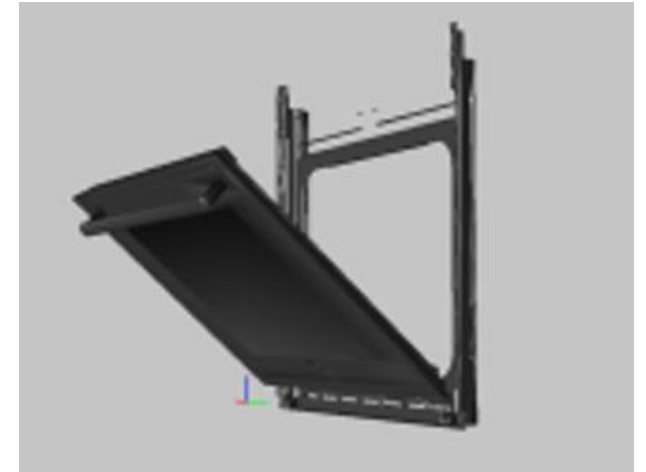
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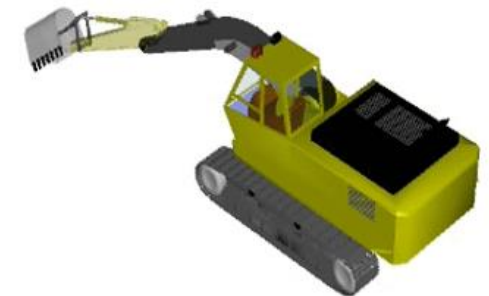
## Examples of typical applications

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### ① Optimization of an oven hinge mechanism



### ② Hybridization of an excavator



# Example 1: Optimization of an oven hinge mechanism

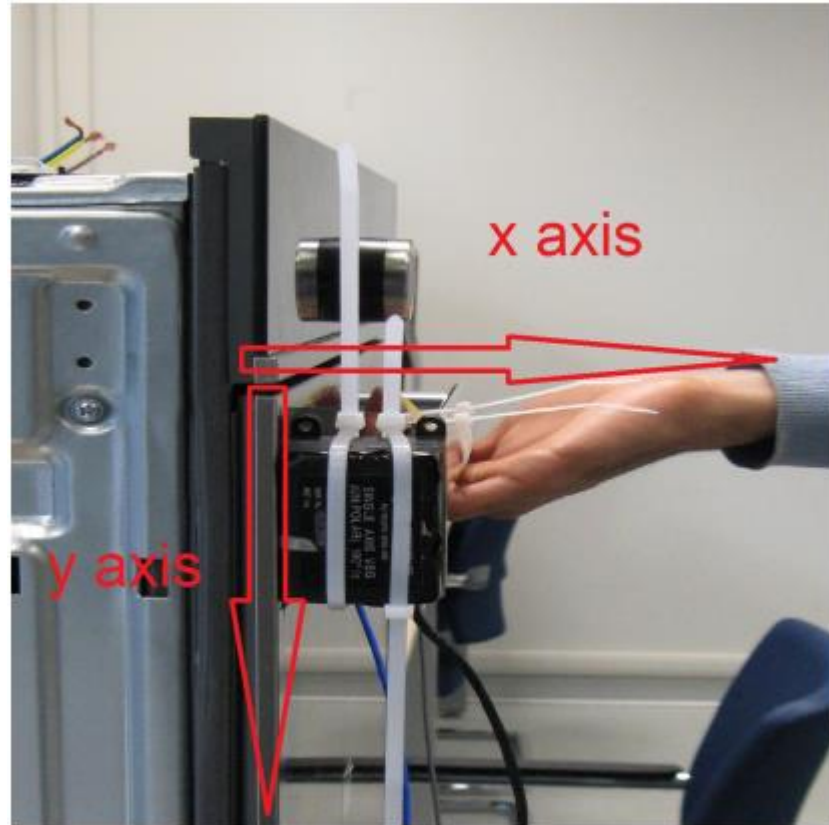
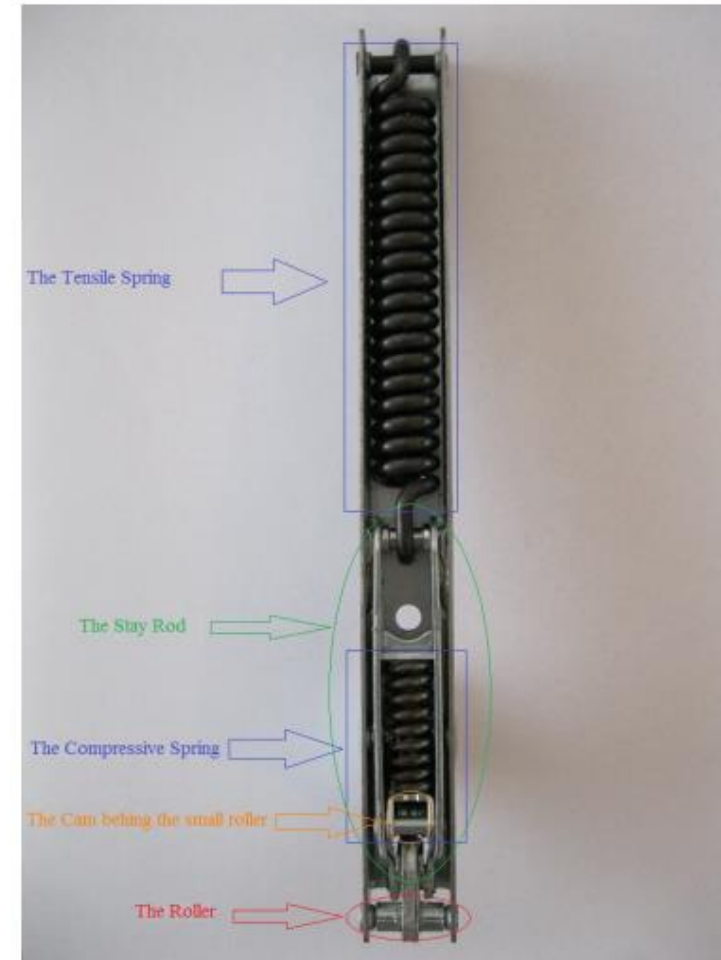


FIGURE 2.17: Force directions



(b) Corresponding part in real hinge

# Example 1: Optimization of an oven hinge mechanism

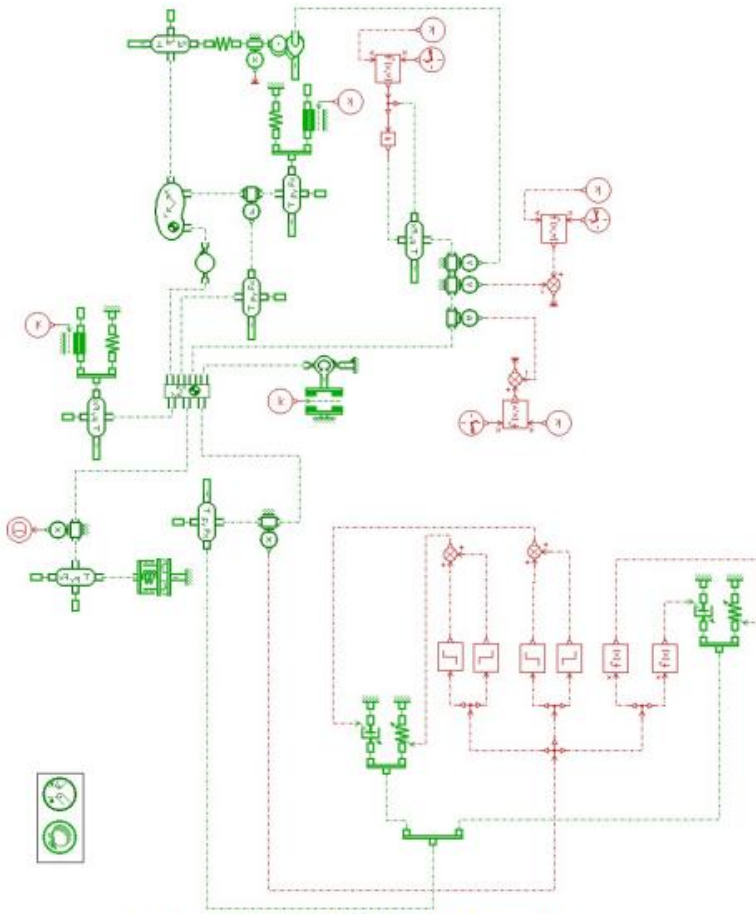


FIGURE 2.13: Opening-closing mechanism of the door of the oven

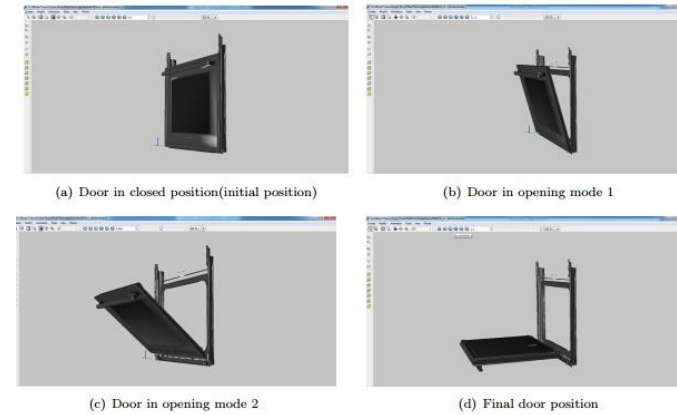


FIGURE 2.32: Animation of the opening-closing mechanism of the door of the oven with Large opening

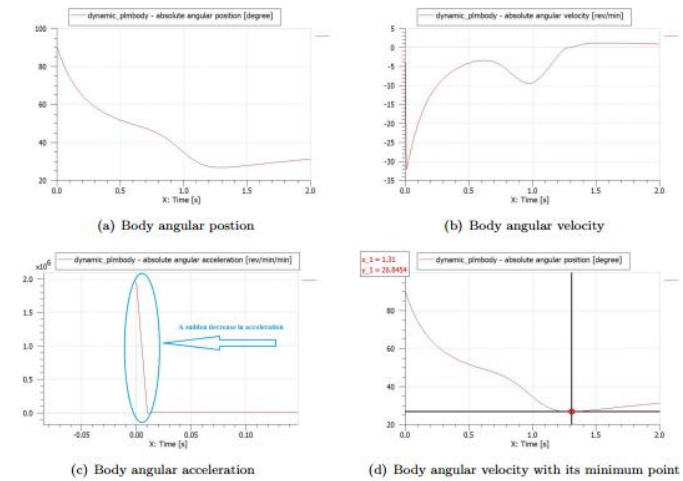


FIGURE 2.34: Graph for position, velocity and acceleration of the main body

## Example 2: hybridization of an excavator

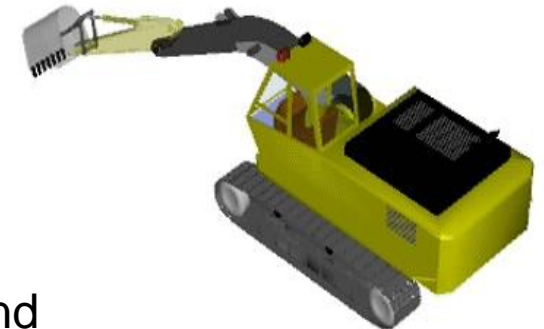
### Fuel economy estimation

### Objectives

- Reduce the operational cost of the equipment by improving the fuel economy and productivity
- Recover the energy lost:
  - During the swing braking maneuvers
  - When the boom is falling down

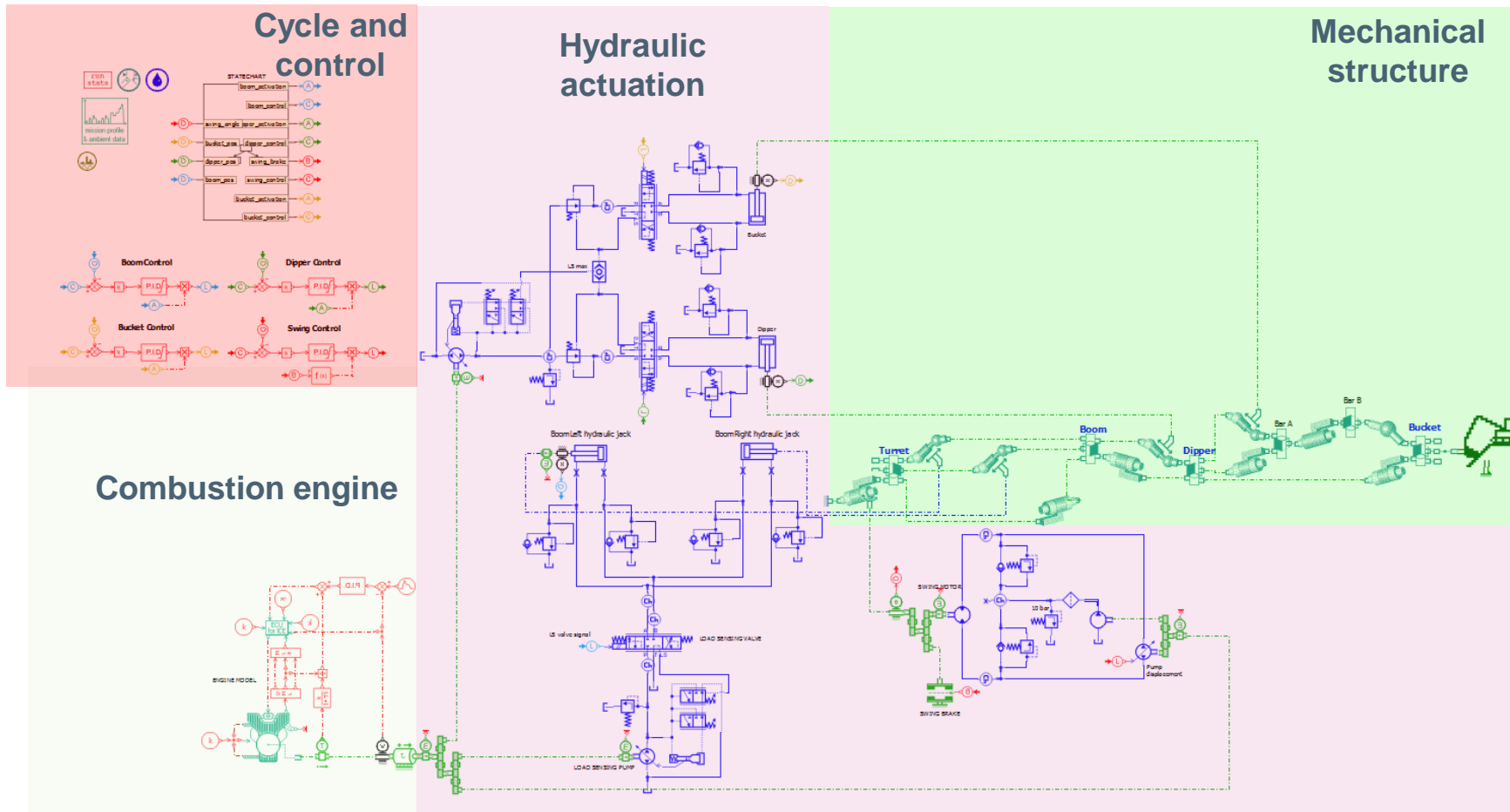
### Solution

- Develop energy recovery systems, including hydraulic pump/motors, valves and accumulators on the swing function and on the boom actuation
- Estimate fuel economy and the productivity using a complete equipment simulator

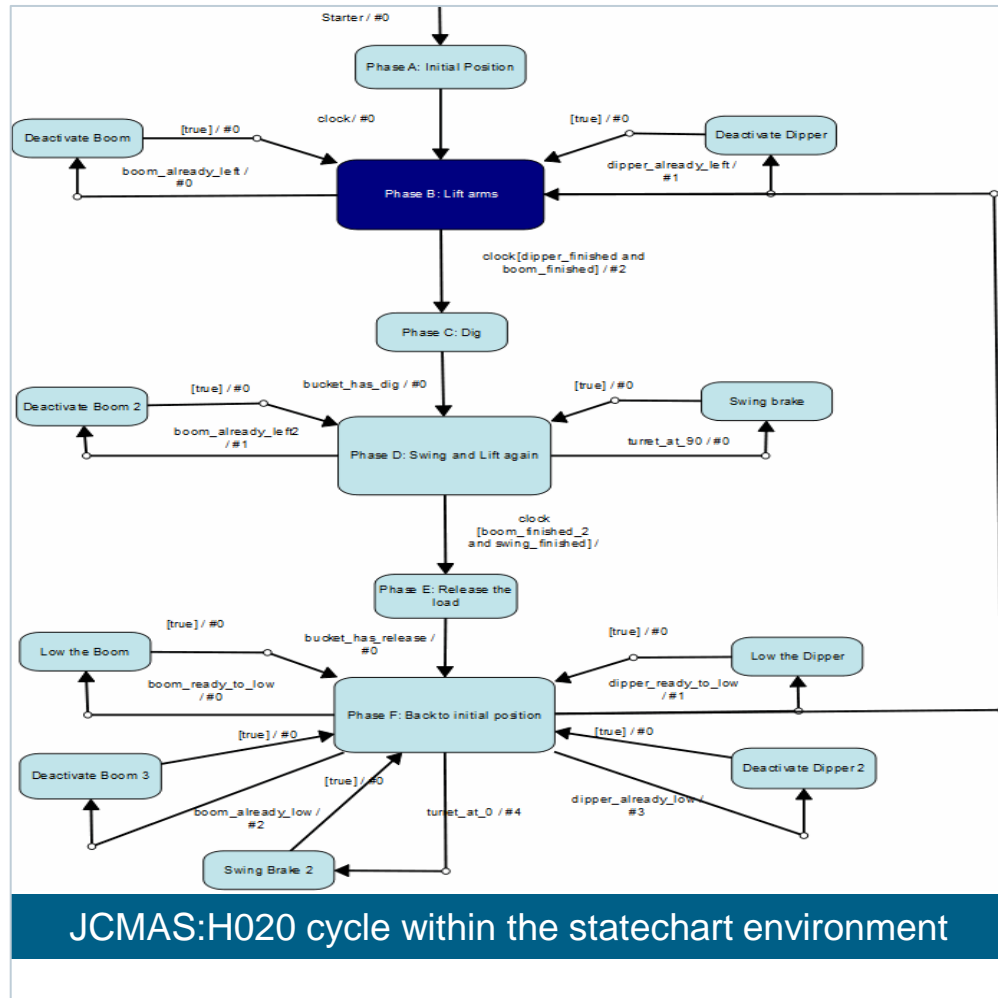


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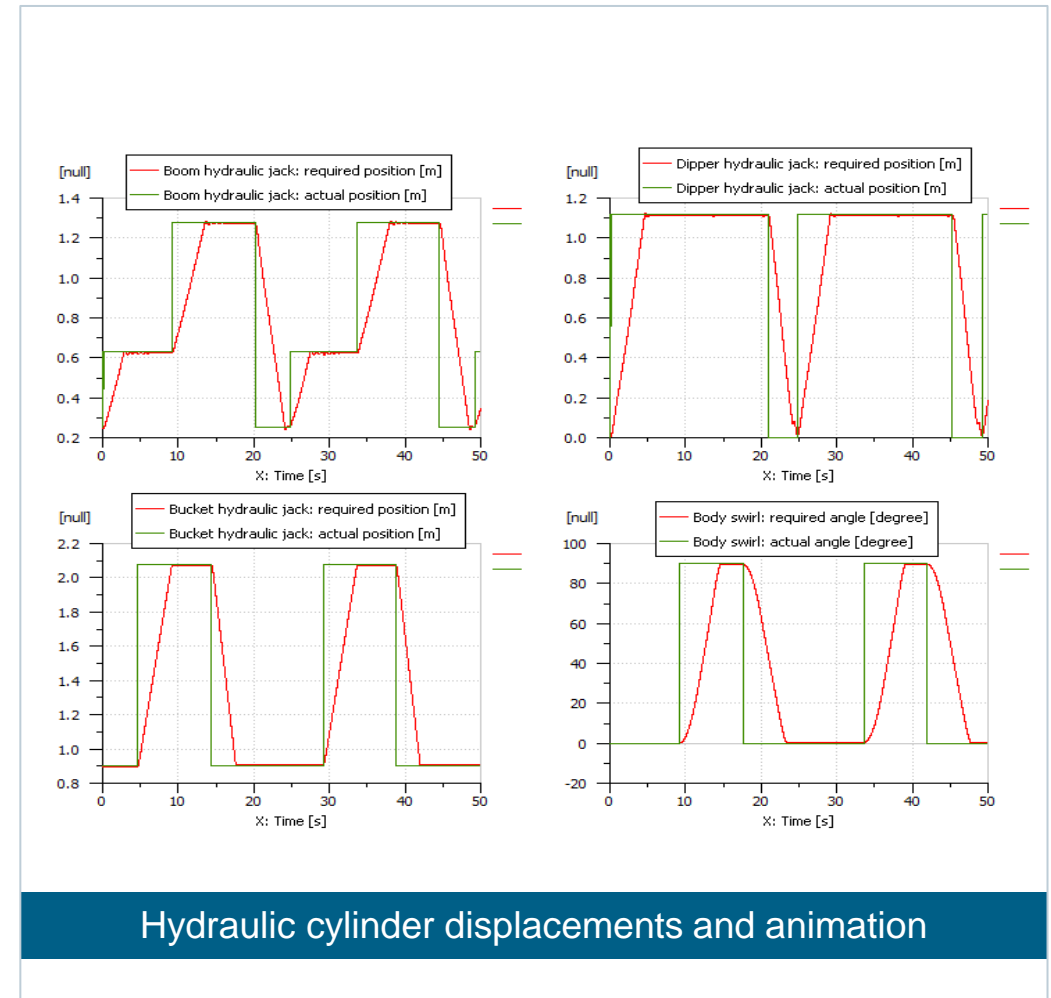
## Conventional system



# Example 2: hybridization of an excavator Conventional system



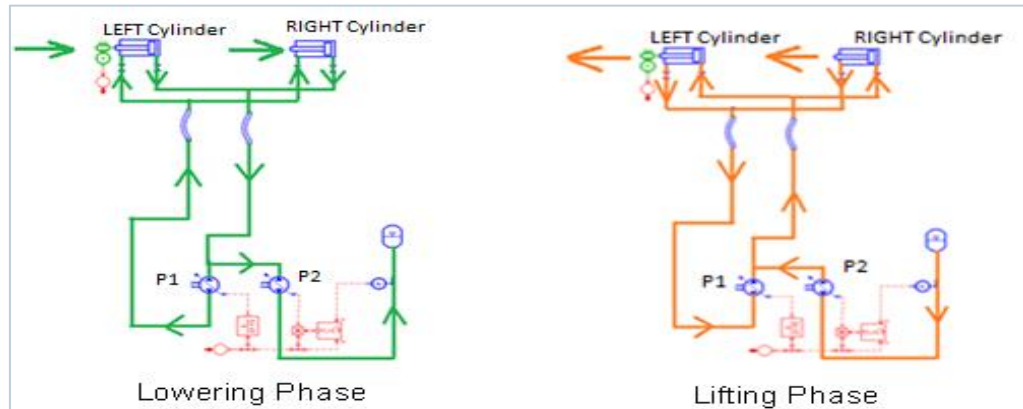
JCMAS:H020 cycle within the statechart environment



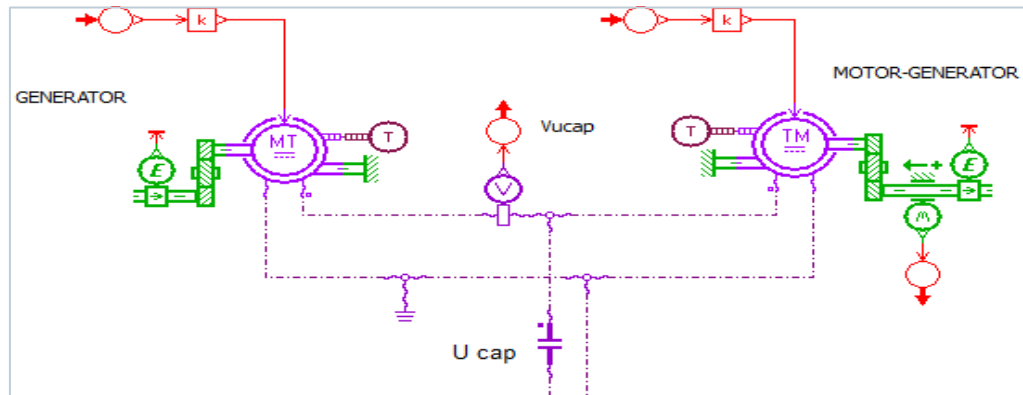
Hydraulic cylinder displacements and animation

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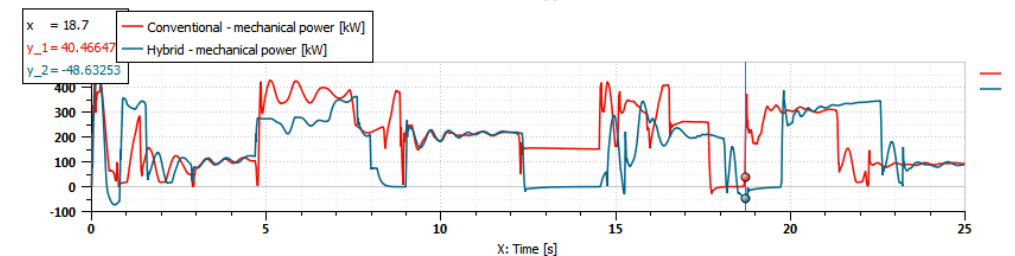
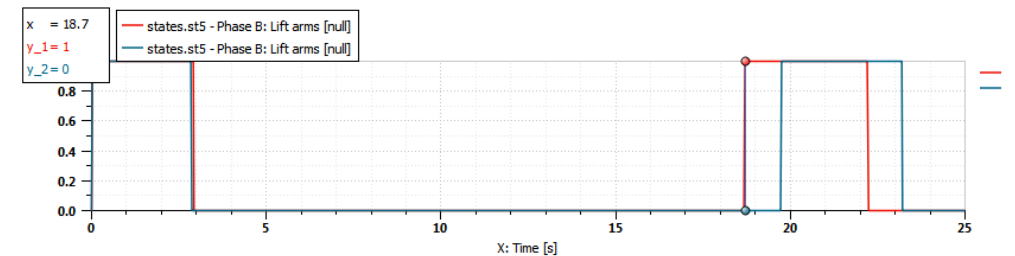
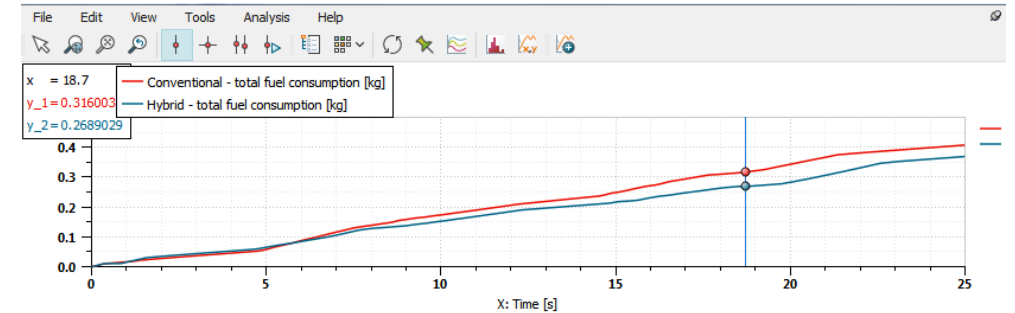
## Energy recovery systems



Flow path for the boom energy recovery system (hydraulic)



Swing energy recovery system (electrical)



Impact of energy recovery systems on fuel consumption and power peak

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# Simcenter Mechatronic System Simulation solutions

Bringing innovative product designs faster to market

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Automotive & Transportation



Aerospace & Defense



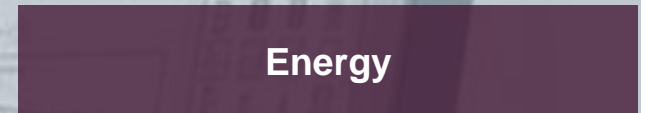
Heavy Equipment



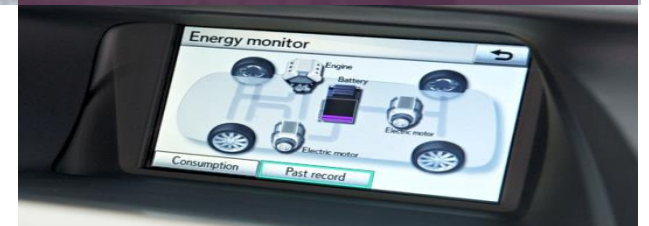
Industrial Machinery



Marine & Shipbuilding



Energy



# Automotive and Transportation



Assess the global vehicle **dynamic performance** in terms of **fuel economy**, **drivability** and **safety** at the early design stages

## Applications

- Powertrain performance and controls optimization
- Chassis subsystems design and integration
- Vehicle integration and attributes balancing



# Simcenter system simulation solutions

Well Established & Proven, for example in Automotive

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## Auto OEMs



## Suppliers



## Aerospace and Defense



Build **safer, reliable aircrafts** while shortening the time-to-market by enabling real **integration** of physical systems together with their **controls**

### Applications

- Virtual Integrated Aircraft
- Landing gear and flight controls
- Fuel systems, engine equipment
- Environmental controls systems



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### Airplane

### Helicopter

### Propulsion

### Space

### System supplier

### Component supplier

# Heavy Equipment

Balance and optimize the **global performance** of the systems while satisfying **operating costs** reduction and **environmental regulations**

## Applications

- Architecture performance evaluation
- Energy management optimization
- Systems sizing

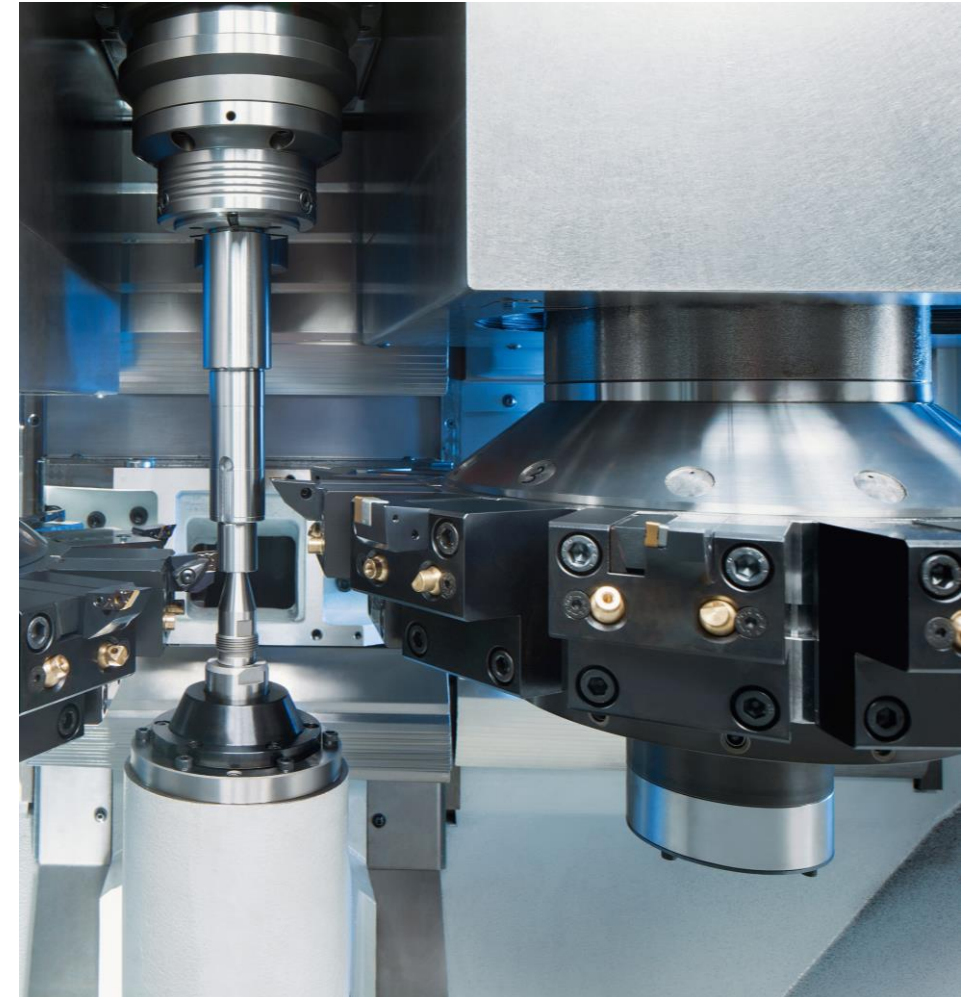
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Balance machines' performance and energy-consumption by predicting the multidisciplinary behavior of intelligent systems

## Applications

- Fluid-powered systems design
- Mechanical systems optimization
- Electrical and electromechanical actuation



**Optimizing ship designs for NOx and CO2 reduction while keeping overall costs – innovation and operation – as low as possible**

## Applications

- Internal combustion engine optimization
- Electric & hybrid drivetrain performance evaluation
- Electric and hydraulic component design





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Well Established & Proven, for example apart from Auto and Aero

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Agricultural machinery, trains, shipbuilding, mechanical industry, elevators, energy, motorbike, large engines...



Construction Equipment



NEW HOLLAND



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Motorcycles



United Technologies



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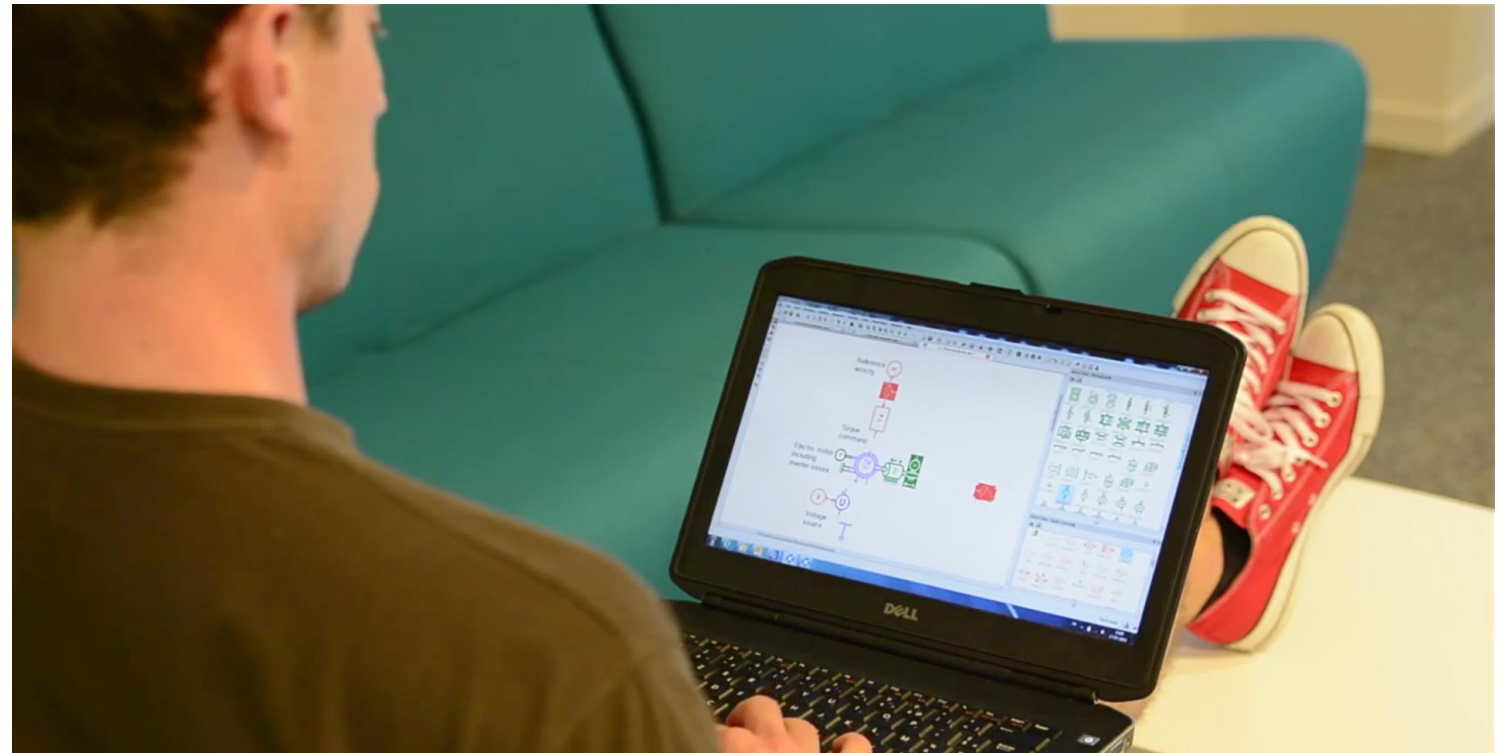
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## Simcenter Amesim Students talking about it

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- Intuitive, easy-to-use interface
- Modeled multi-domain systems with different levels of complexity
- Seamlessly analyzed simulation results



“Simcenter Amesim is a powerful tool not only for any engineering project but also for student learning.”

Bernardo Sidou, Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul

# Simcenter Amesim Student Edition

## Benefits for students



- Seamless system simulation experience – **for free**
- **No limit** on size of the model
- **Industry-leading** system simulation **technology**
- Capability to put **theory** into **practice** thanks to Simcenter Amesim **physical libraries**: Mechanical, hydraulic, pneumatic, thermal, electrics, signal
- Set of **analysis tools**: linear analysis, batch runs, power and energy calculations, 2D-animation
- **Scripting** capabilities: Matlab, Python, Visual Basic Application



# Simcenter Amesim Student Edition

## Get started freely with system simulation

1 - Download the software (free perpetual license):

[https://www.plm.automation.siemens.com/plmapp/education/simcenter/en\\_us/free-software/student](https://www.plm.automation.siemens.com/plmapp/education/simcenter/en_us/free-software/student)

2 - Get started with modeling with videos, demos, tutorials, model documentations

3 - Ask questions and share ideas with students, educators and experts:

[Simcenter community](#)

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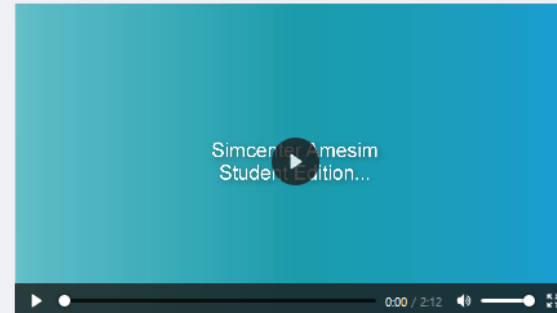
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