

Future Trends in the CAD

The Death of the File

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Message

For engineering,
the file will be replaced by the database
therefore
data sustainment must change

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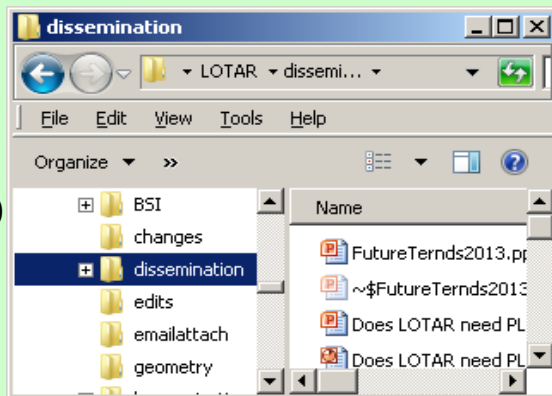
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Scroll



Serial Access

CAD
File



Codex

Random Access



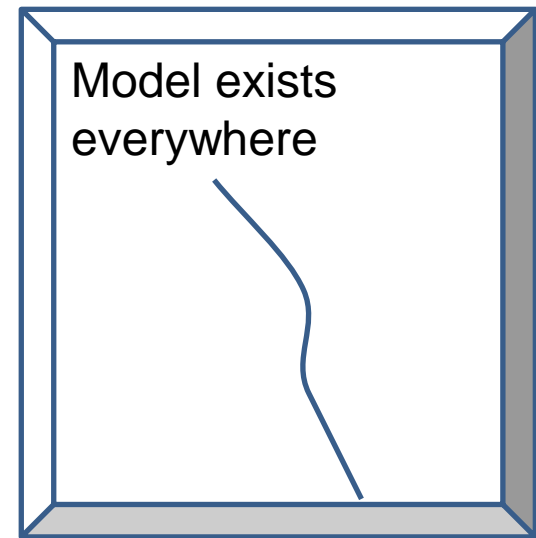
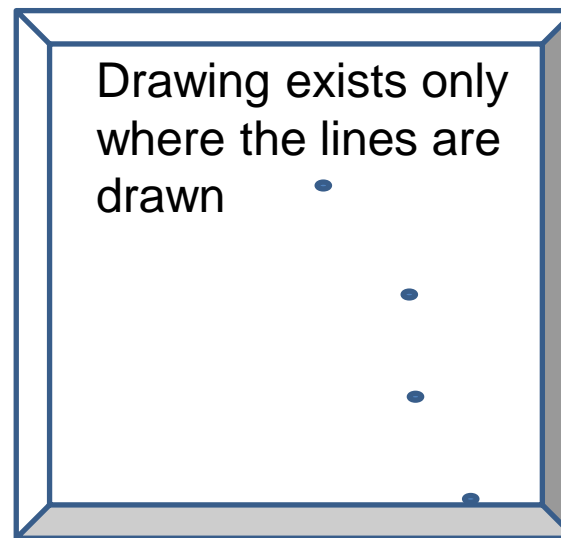
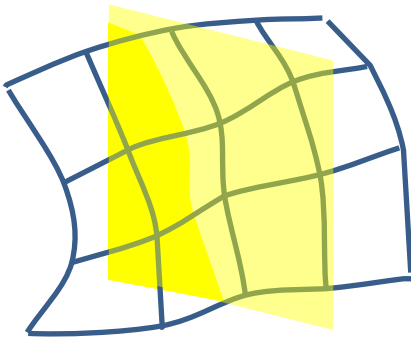
Database

Trend 1: What is Model Based Engineering?

A model **REPRESENTS** the data

A drawing only **PRESENTS** the data

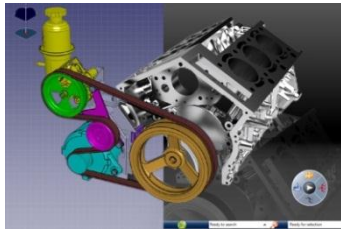
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with a plane



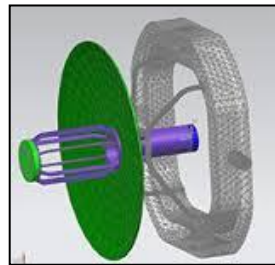
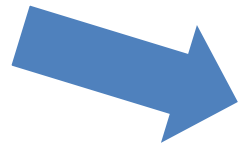
Consequently: **MANAGE** the **MODEL** not the drawing

Trend 1: Model Based Engineering

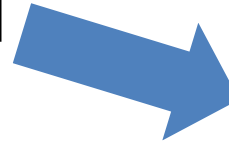
The Model is used directly downstream



Future CAD:
integrated
feature level
data management



Finite element meshes
generated directly from
CAD model



FE used for Lightning
Strike Analysis -
preserve for certification

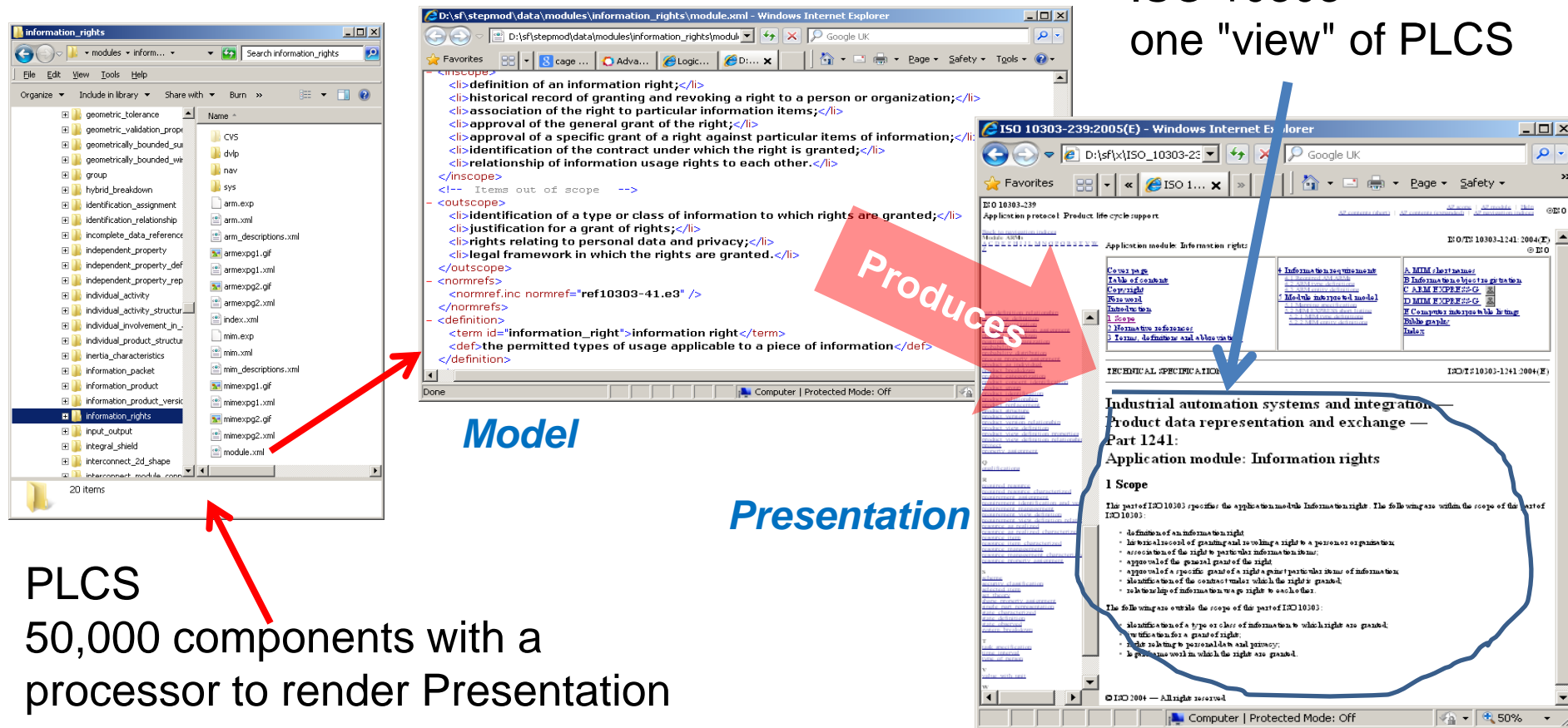


Images various sources

Trend 1: Model Based Engineering

Even "documents" can be model-based

ISO 10303
one "view" of PLCS




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Trend 2: Greater Data Content - PMI

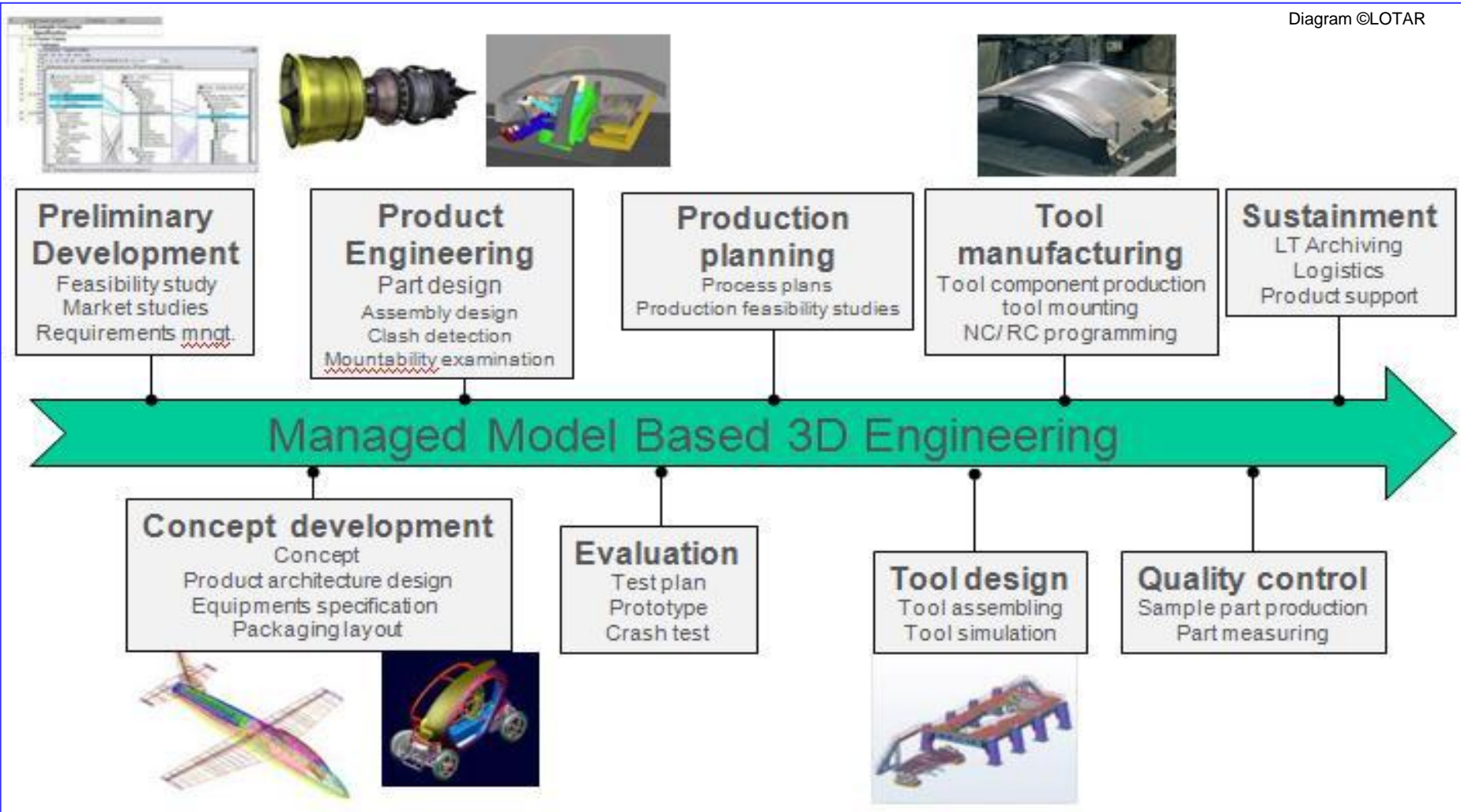
Existing LOTAR Parts for Mechanical CAD - STEP AP 203 & AP 214

- 100 Basics
- 110 CAD Shape  *Basic content for CAD*
- 115 CAD Assemblies
- **120 CAD with Product Manufacturing Information (PMI) *as displayed***
- **120 V2 CAD with PMI *as model***
- **125 CAD Assemblies with PMI**

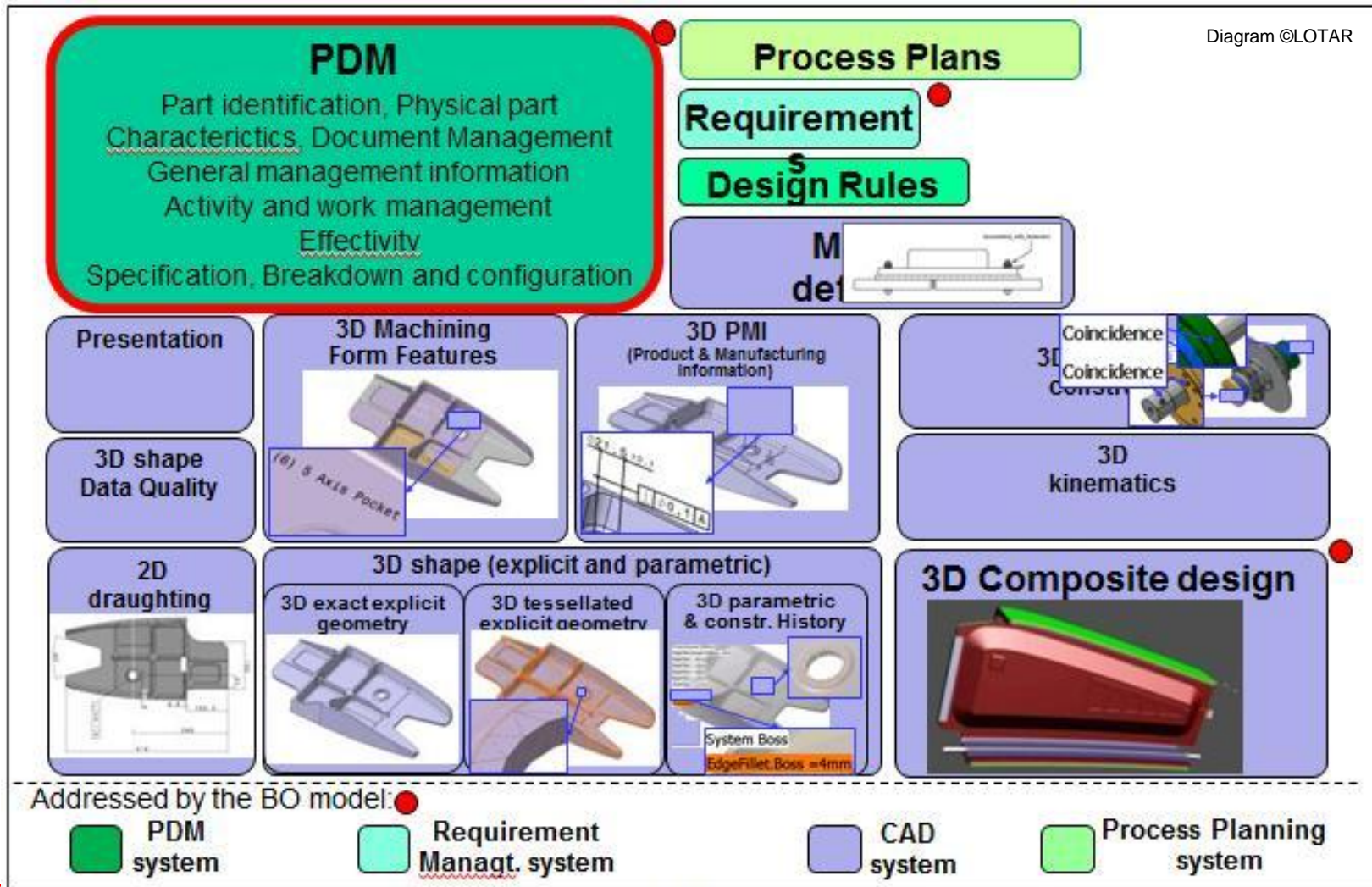


Trend 2: Greater Content - AP242

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Trend 2: Greater Content: AP242 v 1



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Trend 3: Integrated Data Model

Integrated Models

- Historically: to each process a model
 - E.g. STEP for mechanical, electrical, finite element, manufacturing
- New: Whole business domain joining multiple data
- Overlay domain with transactions subsets

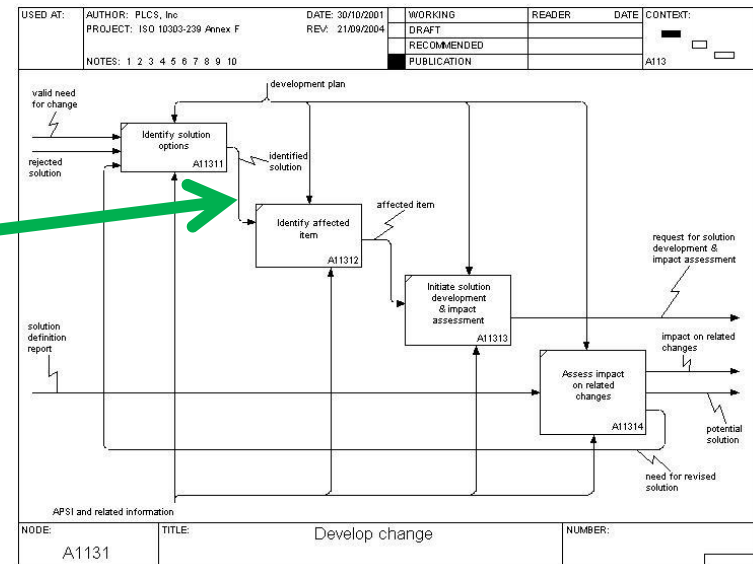


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Trend 3: Integrated Data Model

OpenO&M Approach –Each System Engineered to Speak a Common O&M Language over a Common Information Bus

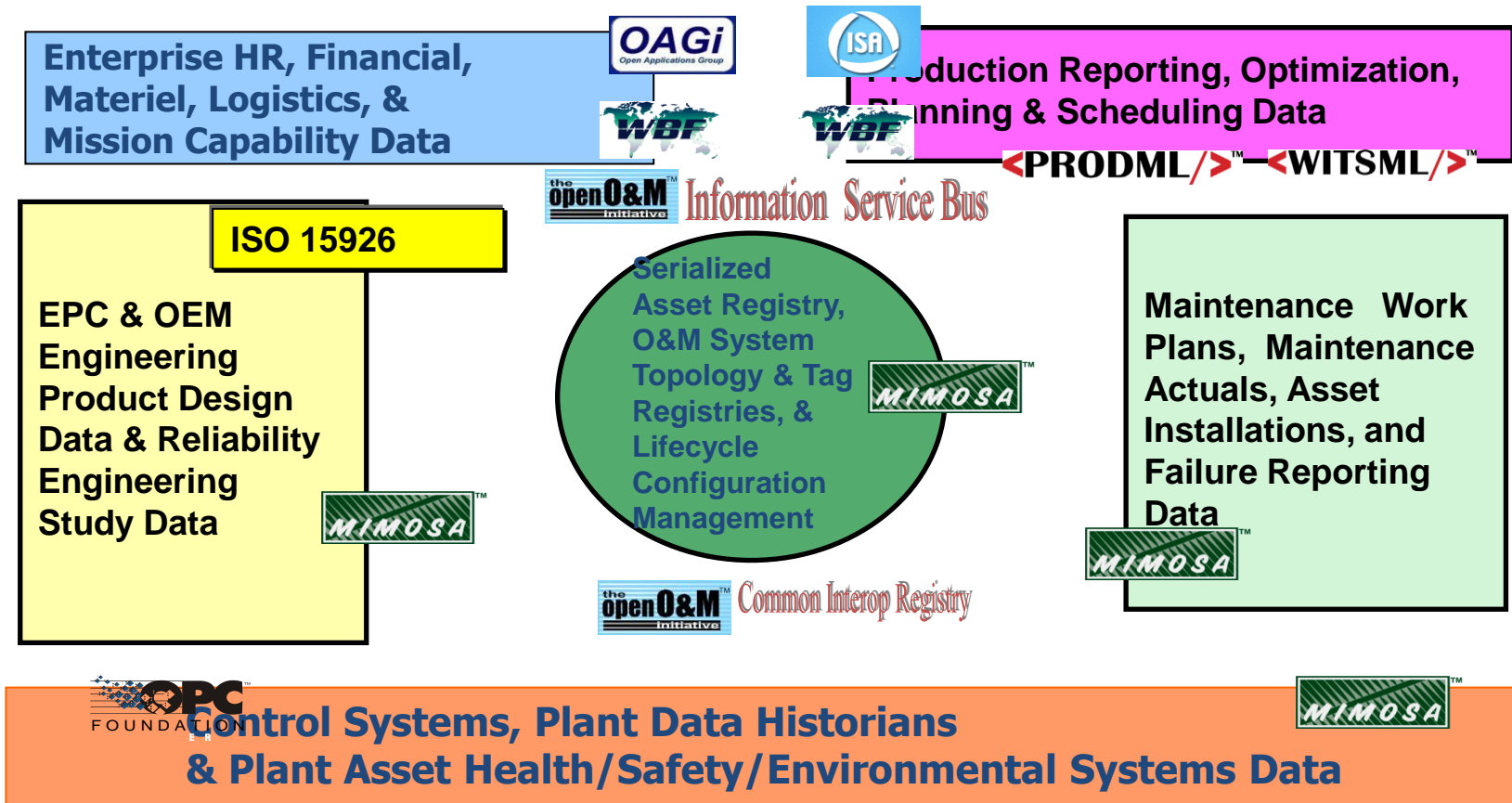
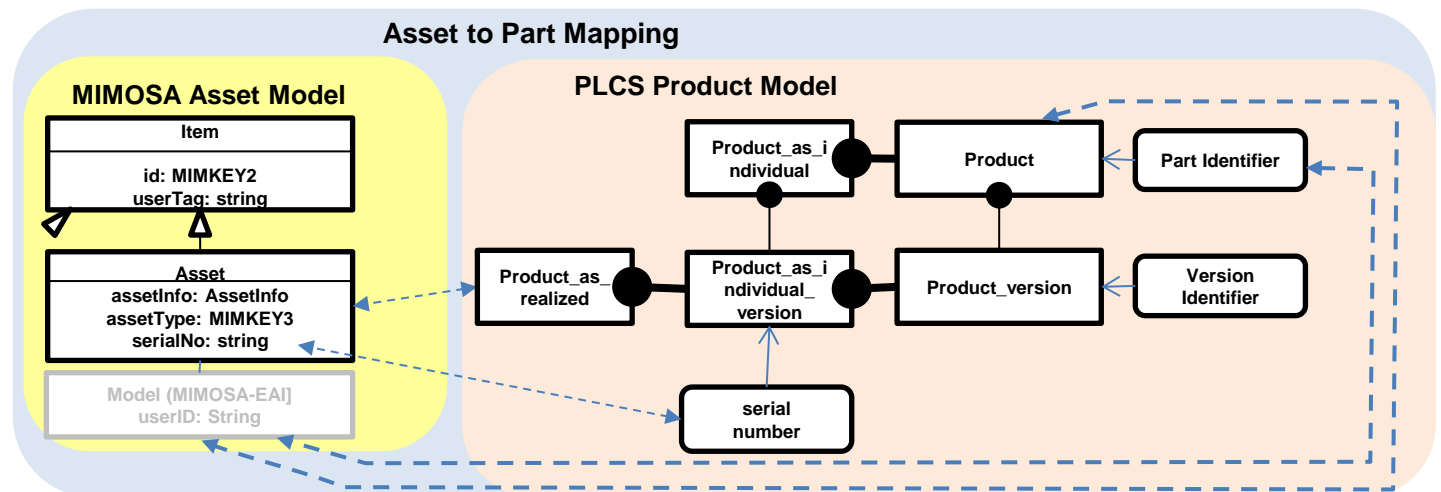


Image from MIMOSA

Trend 3: Integrated Data Models

Example: Integrated Vehicle Health Monitoring

- MIMOSA-CBM covering Real Time Health Monitoring
- MIMOSA-EAI for Data Warehouse based analysis
- S1000D for maintenance manuals
- PLCS integrating maintenance, product configuration, change and fleet management
- STEP for design management
- OAGIS for supply chain management



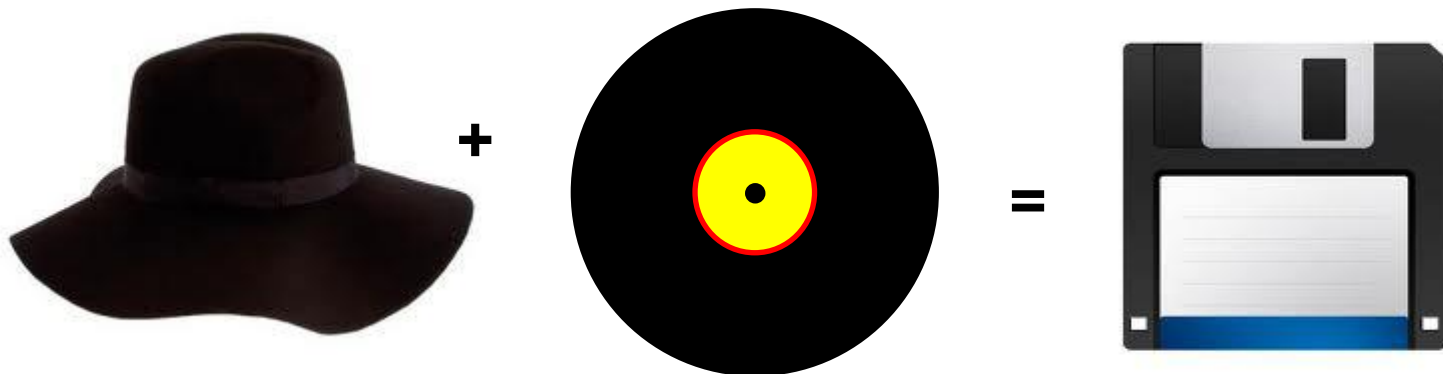
Implications

Now

- Investigate preservation planning for database based systems
- Importance of validation properties

In thirty years

- File based methodologies will become niche
- Methodologies to migrate files to databases will be common place
- Need a teaching programme to explain how things used to be done



In 2000 "Floppy" + "Disc" = Rigid Square

Summary

4 Stages of computerisation:

- Stage 1 - reproduce documents
- Stage 2 - replace documents with models
- Stage 3 - add more functions
- Stage 4 - join everything together

BUT

Long term sustainment mostly at stages 1 & 2

We need a Science Museum not the British Library