



# **From technical input parameters to virtual testing – while maintaining full traceability**

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# Agenda

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- Concept Modules
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# PDTec AG – what makes us tick!



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„Inspiring || Engineering || Excellence“ summarize our way of seeing and thinking things and at the same time represent our DNA:

- Our solutions are designed to inspire our customer to work together more efficiently and create great innovations
- Our origin is engineering! We have been speaking our customers language and understanding their requirements for more than 25 years.
- We set high standards for our activities and deliver best-in-class solutions and consulting services
- Our main focus is on: Product Data Management / Simulation Data Management / Technical Data Management

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# Motivation

How can engineers responsible for calculation work efficiently (together)?



How can all simulation engineers work and collaborate efficiently?



How to trust simulation results?

How can trust in calculation results be generated?

Management Perspective

Technical Perspective

Technical parameter,....

Analyse Results.

Collect input

Execute

Analyse

Trace

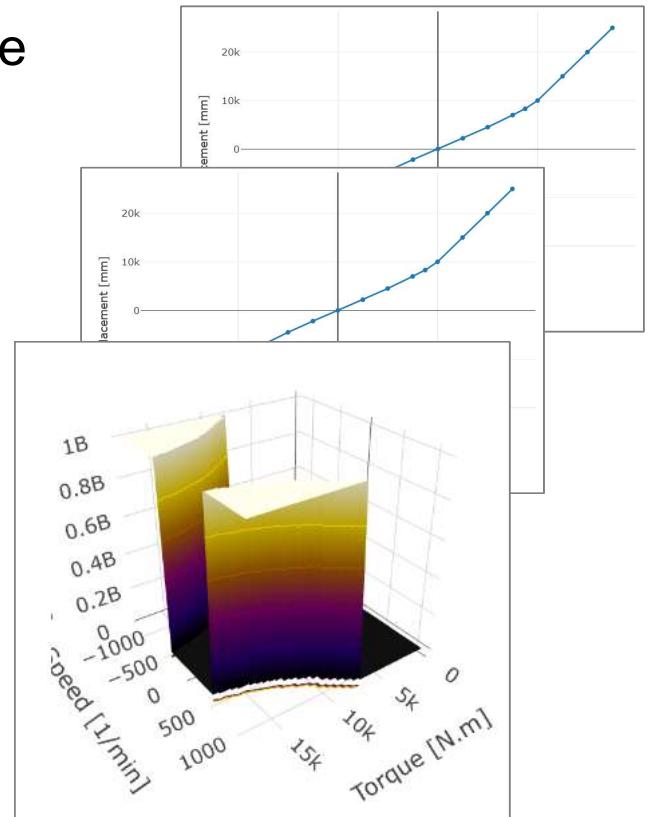
Setup & Execute Simulation.

Trace Used Input Data.



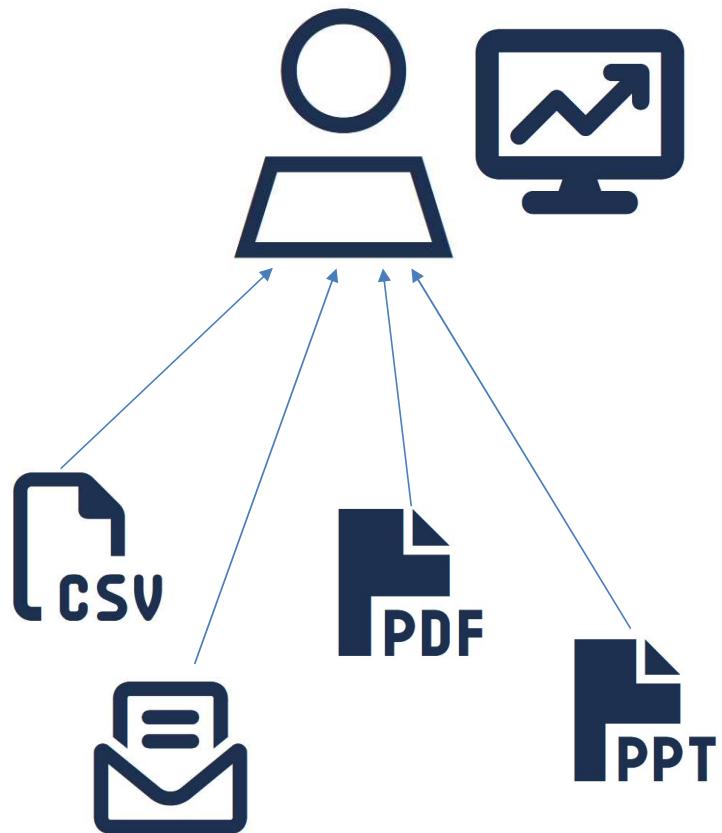
# Definition

- Technical parameters or technology data describe the (non-geometric) properties of an overall product of a component or a (partial) system (e.g. brake system)
- Examples of technical parameters:
  - Mass / Center of mass
  - Bushing curves (e.g. of front axle)
  - Motor maps



# Technology Data – known issues

- Data is provided in different data formats
- No "single source" management of technology data available
  - Available PDM systems for geometry data are typically not ideal
- Supplier integration is not uniformly solved



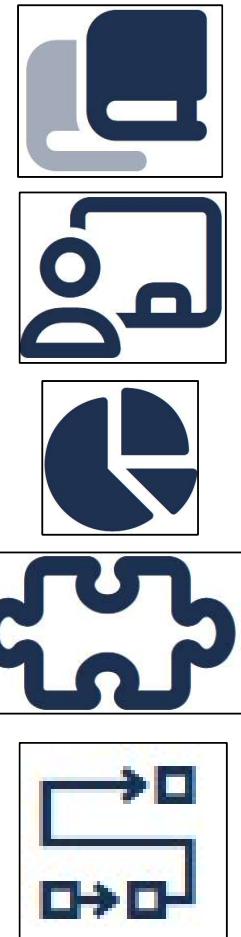


# Goals of modern technology data management

- A "single source" for data management
- Data exchange with external suppliers (based on standardized formats)
- Integration of all data recipients (e.g. calculators) in their process chain
- Automation in the use of technical parameters in calculation models

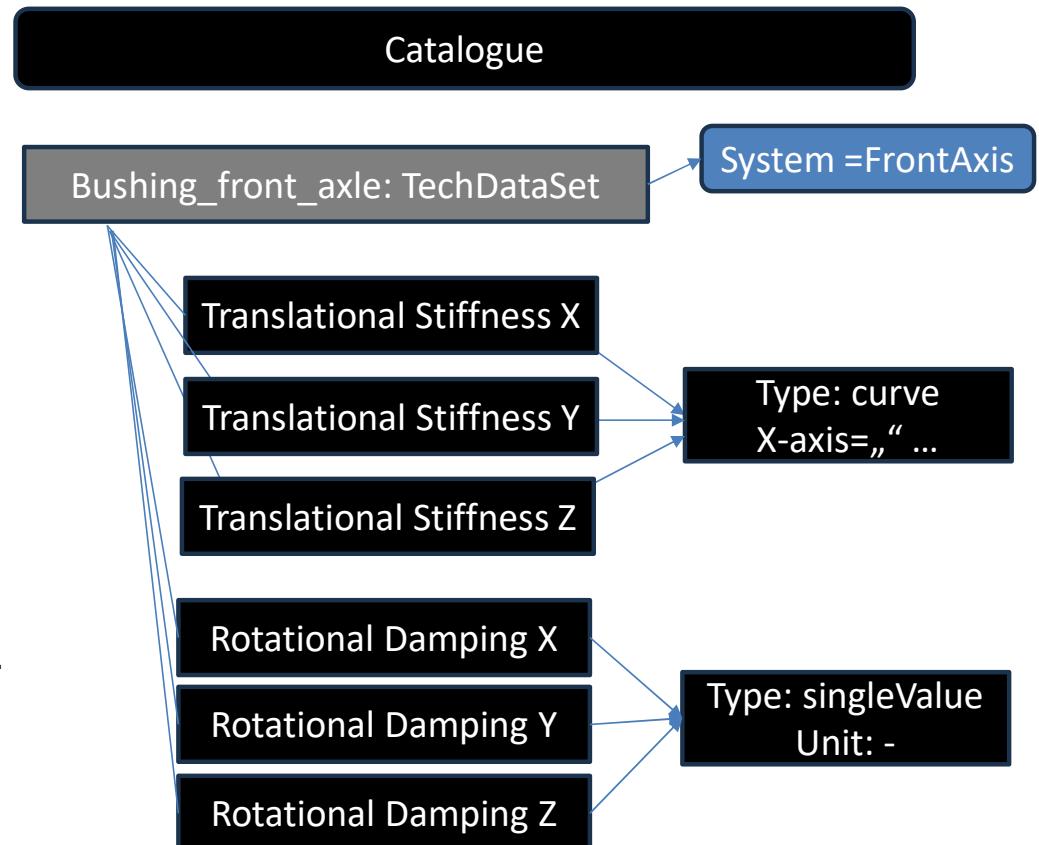
# Building blocks of the concept

- Catalog mechanism for representing the technical parameters in a management system
- Process configurator for the ordering and delivery process for demand-oriented provision of data
- Dashboard mechanism for visual representation of delivery progress
- Plug-in mechanisms for the automatic filling of solver models
- Tracking and visualization of the data flow in the CAE process

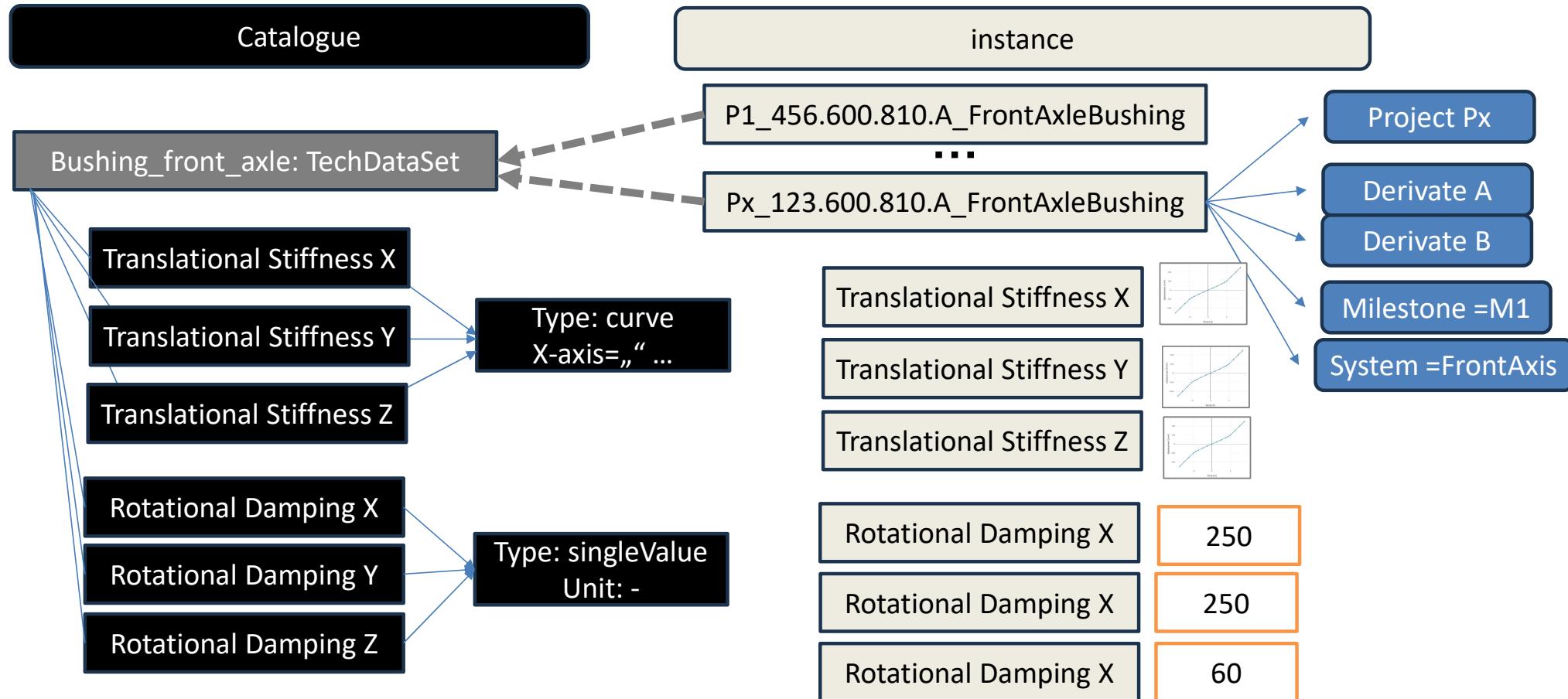


# Definition of catalogue

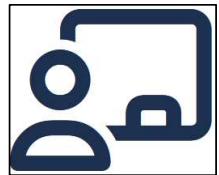
- Catalog consists of the artifacts
  - Technology data set
  - Collector for the technology data of the entire product or of components or their (sub)systems
  - E.g. technical parameters of the front axle
- Technology data item
  - Represents a technical parameter
  - There are various item types such as individual parameters, curve, 3D map
  - E.g. mass, bushing curve, engine map, etc.



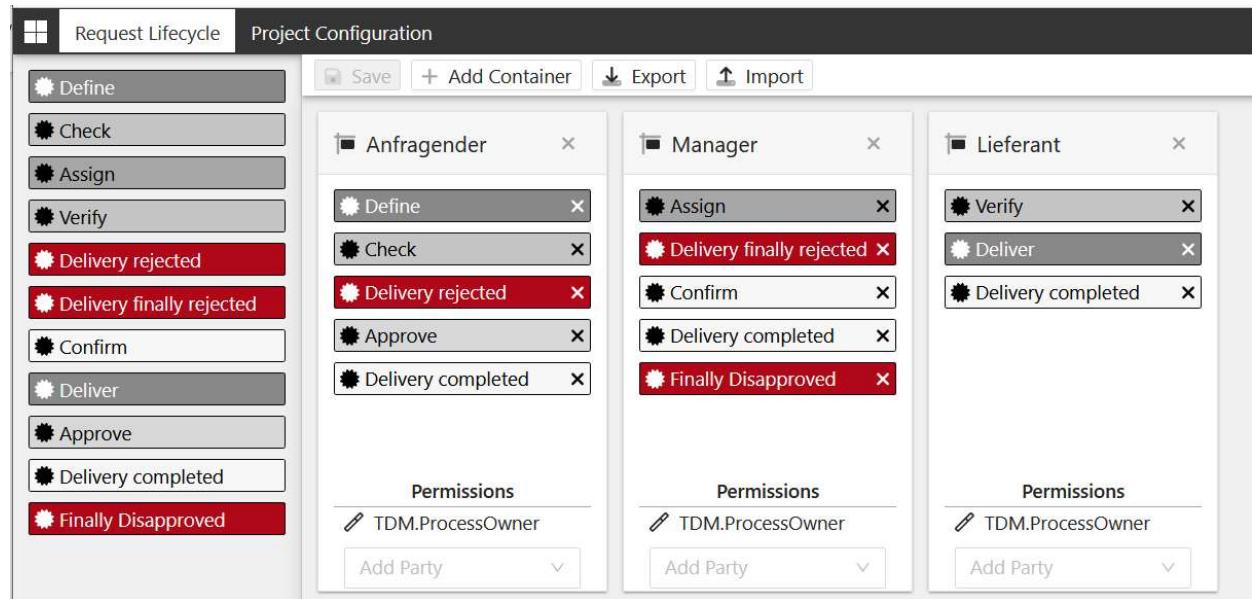
# Catalogue instantiation



# Process configurator



- Process configurator
  - Configuration of roles for the ordering and delivery process
  - Assignment of process steps to the corresponding role
- Process lib contains relevant process steps
  - e.g. define request, validate request, deliver request



The screenshot shows the 'Project Configuration' screen of the Process Configurator. At the top, there's a toolbar with 'Request Lifecycle' (selected), 'Save', '+ Add Container', 'Export', and 'Import'. Below the toolbar, there are three tabs representing different roles: 'Anfragerender', 'Manager', and 'Lieferant'. Each tab has a list of process steps assigned to it:

- Anfragerender:** Define, Check, Assign, Verify, Delivery rejected, Delivery finally rejected, Confirm, Deliver, Approve, Delivery completed, Finally Disapproved.
- Manager:** Assign, Check, Delivery rejected, Approve, Delivery completed, Finally Disapproved.
- Lieferant:** Verify, Deliver, Delivery completed.

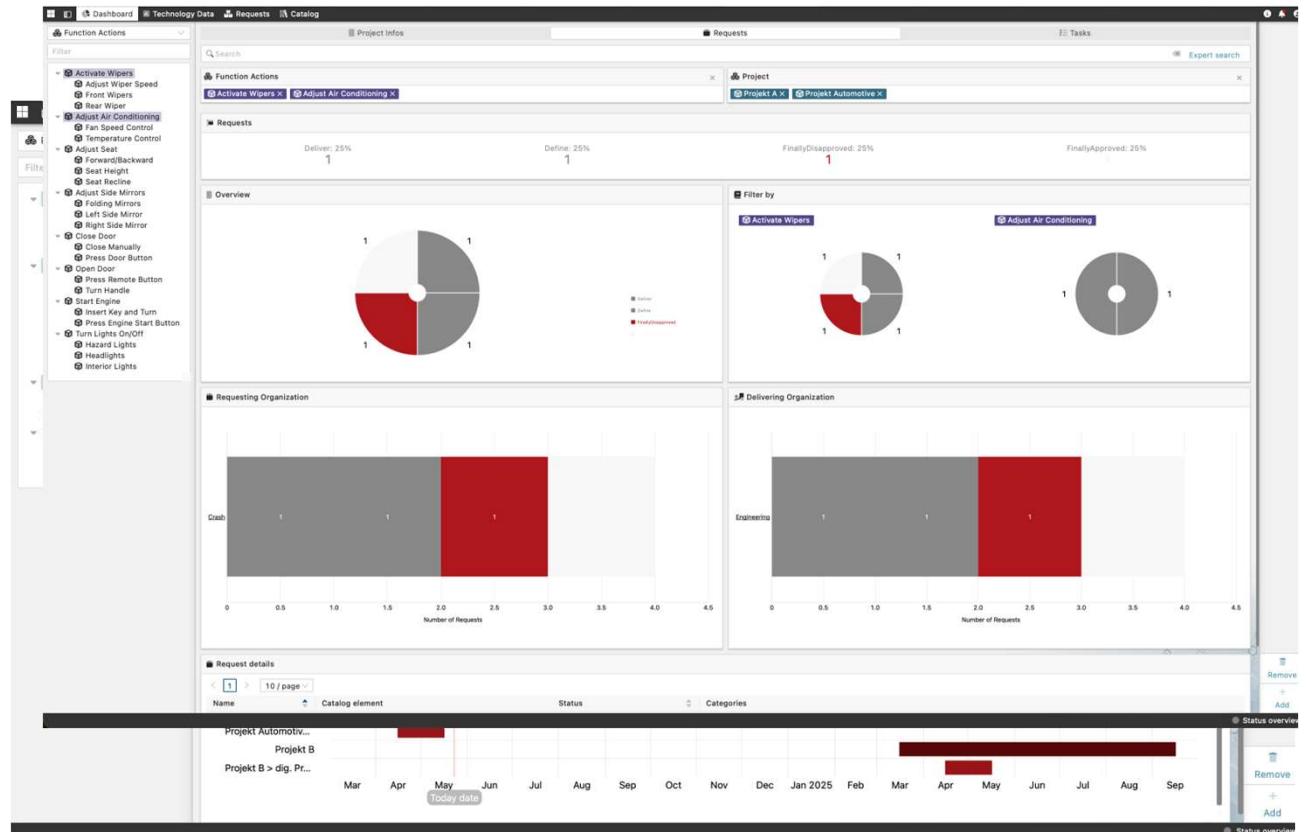
Under each role, there's a 'Permissions' section with a 'TDM.ProcessOwner' checkbox and an 'Add Party' dropdown.

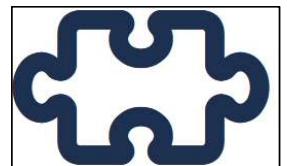


# Dashboard

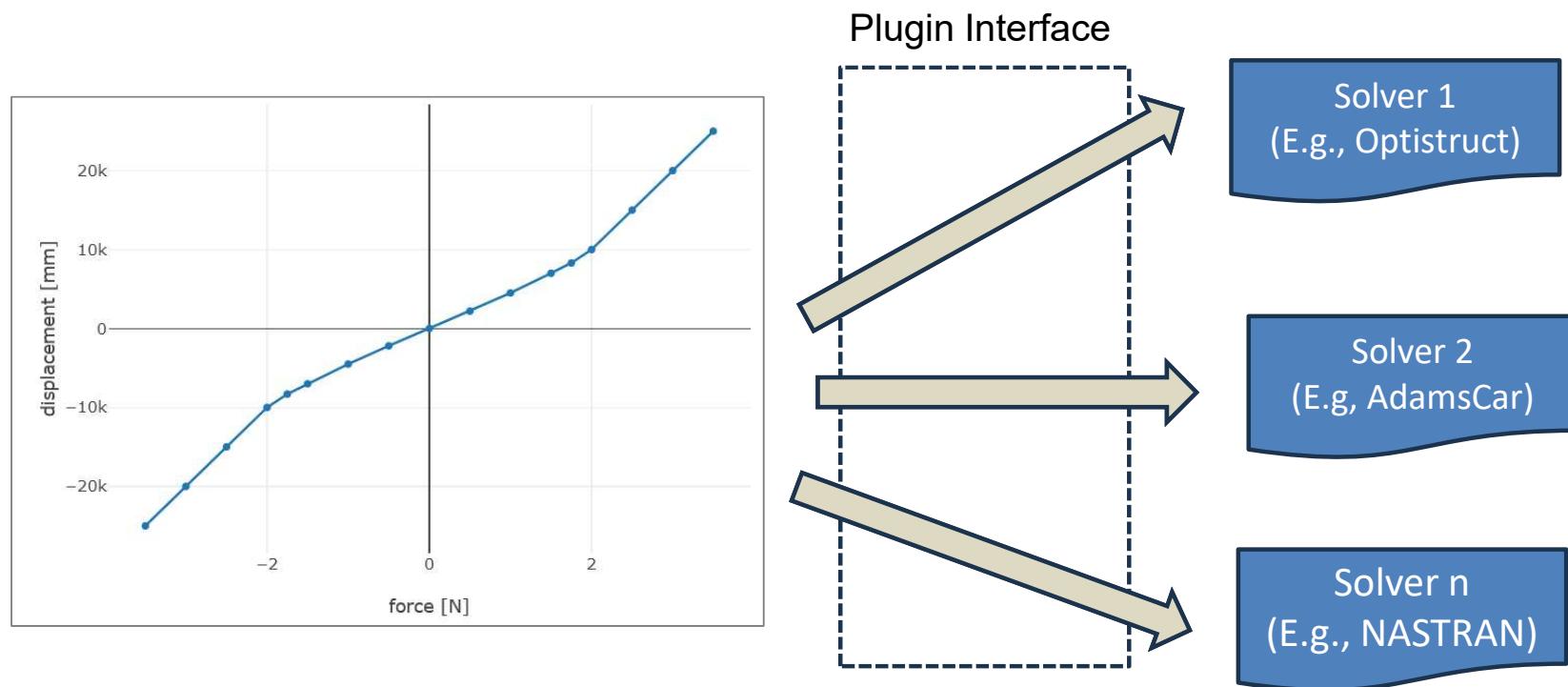


- Overview for team/department head
  - How many technology datasets are still outstanding for the current milestone?
- Overview for data requesters
  - What percentage of the requested tech data has been delivered? ... can I start as planned?

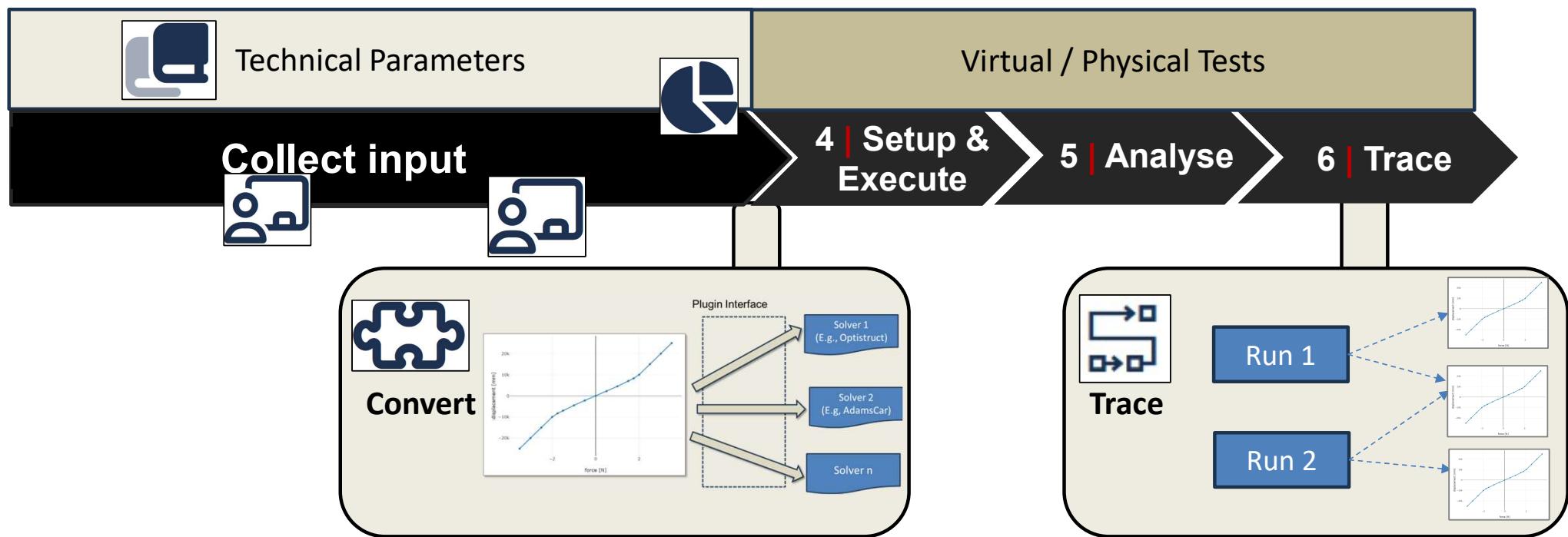


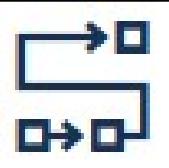


# Automated data processing of solver models (plugin)



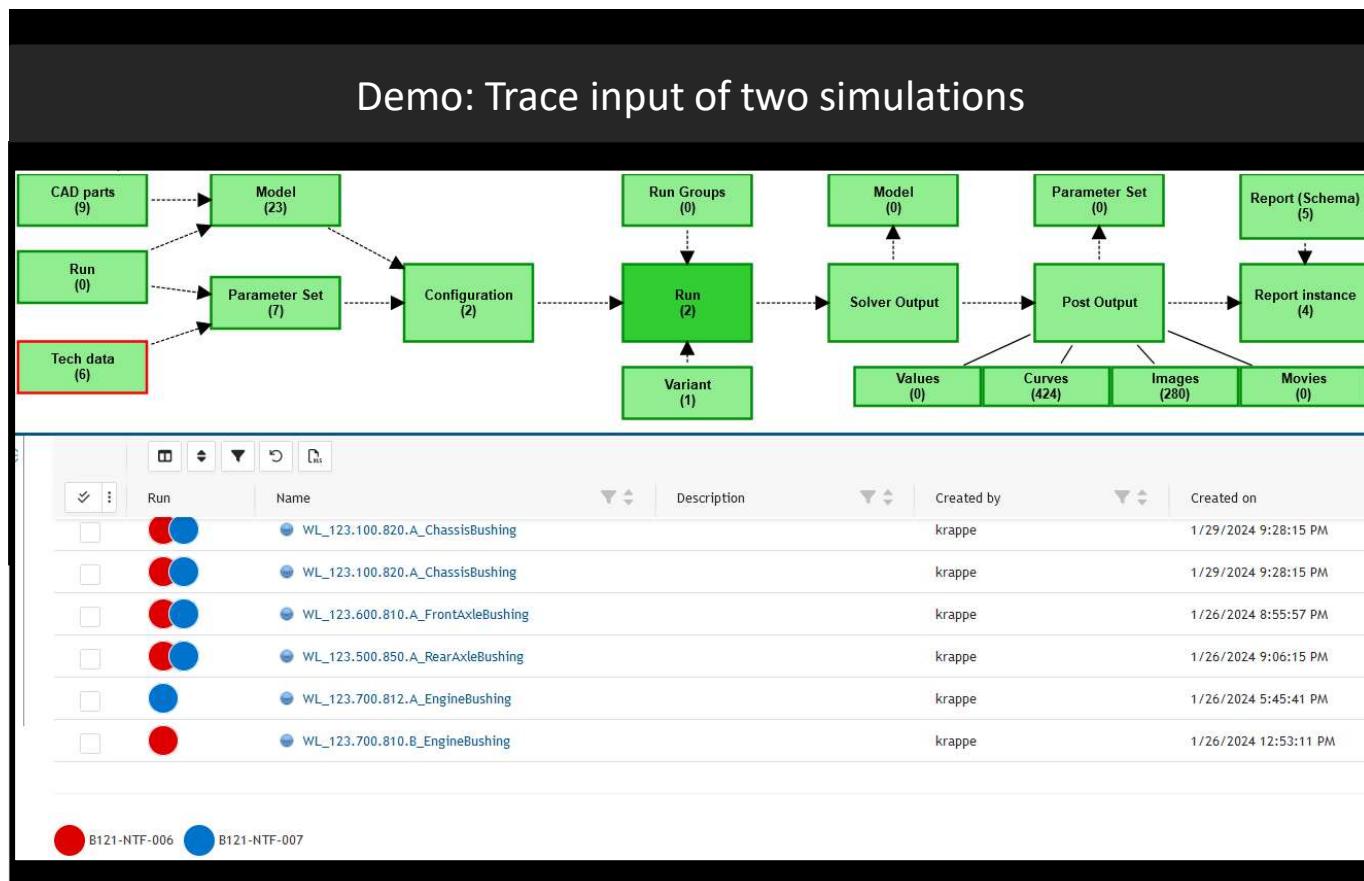
# View on the overall process





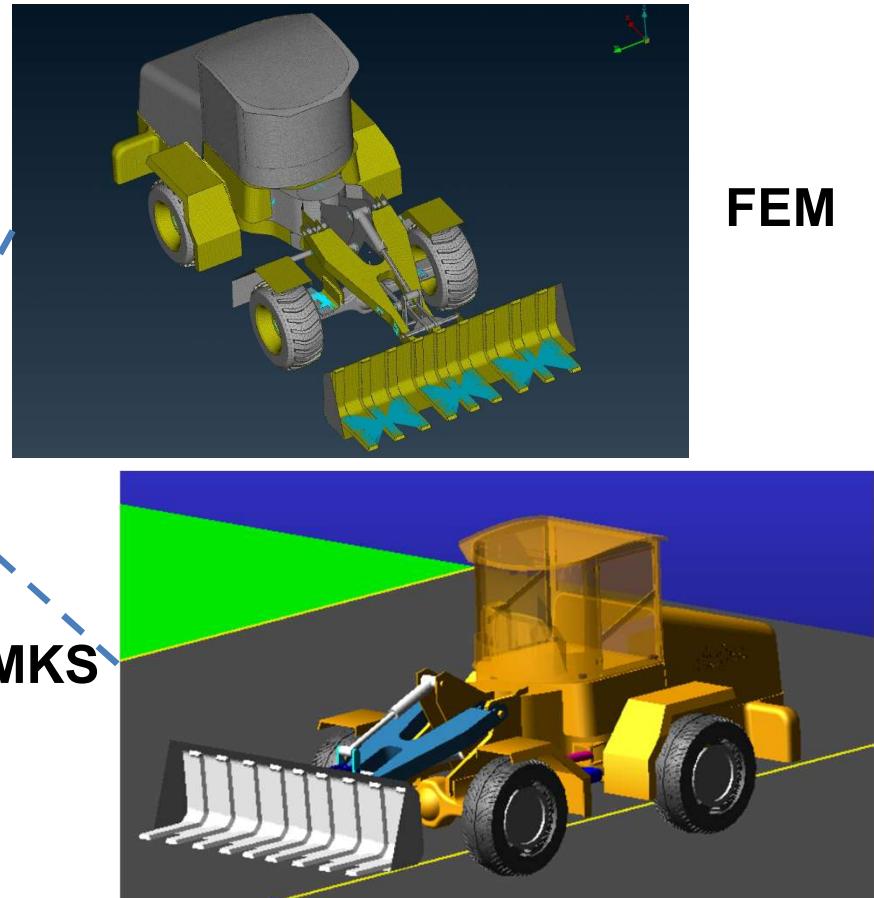
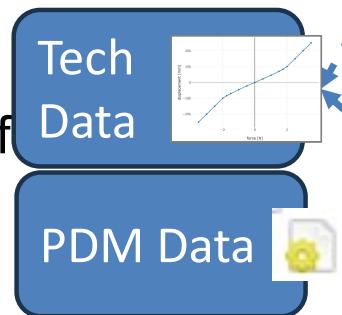
# Traceability

- **Visualization of the use of data**
  - Trace input (technology data, CAD) for each simulation or report
- **Analyze differences in input**
  - Recognize differences in the input data of multiple simulations
- **Visualize the history of items**
  - Visualize the history of runs, models or parameters



# Traceability – Benefits

- Ensure that (release-relevant) simulations are based on the same input data:
  - Cross-discipline
  - Can be checked at any time and at the touch of a button





# Summary – SimData Manager



How can all simulation engineers work and collaborate efficiently?



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## SimData Manager      Driving CAE with Data.



... enables teams to collaborate efficiently, with **seamless process** integration driving effective virtual product development



... ensures data continuity by enabling efficient and **seamless management** of simulation data



... ensures transparency with **traceability of all input data** into the respective engineering results



# You have questions – we provide answers!



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