

SOLIDWORKS ELECTRICAL

INNOVATE EFFICIENTLY
DESIGN COLLABORATIVELY

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There are many challenges that face today's industries. The demand for smarter and innovative solutions is emerging, while products and services become more integrated, complex, and autonomous, but also follow industry guidelines, requirements, and regulatory standards. Methods and techniques for design and production are also changing and the need for collaboration and innovation has surged.

The significance is that more and more electronics and electrical systems are integrated throughout every phase of the product lifecycle. New underlying challenges and complexity within each electrical discipline becomes apparent and further adds to the complexity of integration with other engineering disciplines – such as mechanical, fluids, simulation, and software.

This e-book highlights the Dassault Systèmes SOLIDWORKS Electrical solution and how to tackle an end to end electrical process and integrate it within a full development project.



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- Many traditional engineering and design groups use a wide variety of specialized software applications to create and manage electrical systems.
- Each of them, with their own database or file-based information storage, results in inefficient manual exchange of data between essential process steps.
- There is not a strong enough relationship between schematics, 3D design, and manufacturing.
- Electrical teams are critical departments that undergo engineering changes last.

To rectify these challenges, the initial step is to have a comprehensive and integrated design workflow that connects a single source of truth for all stakeholders

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Early Validation
of systems installation requirements

Early Design Optimization
with intelligent project templates

Improve Design Validation
with integrated Design Rule Checks

Increased Collaboration between Disciplines

- Mechanical Systems
- Electrical Systems
- Analysts
- Manufacturing
- Logistics

Improve Manufacturing Engineering
due to early optimization with integrated functional + physical mockup

Digital Thread
from systems architecture to 2D schematics and 3D system modeling

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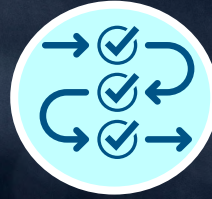
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Governance



System Architecture



Schematic Design



Reporting & Validation



3D Modeling and Routing



Manufacturing



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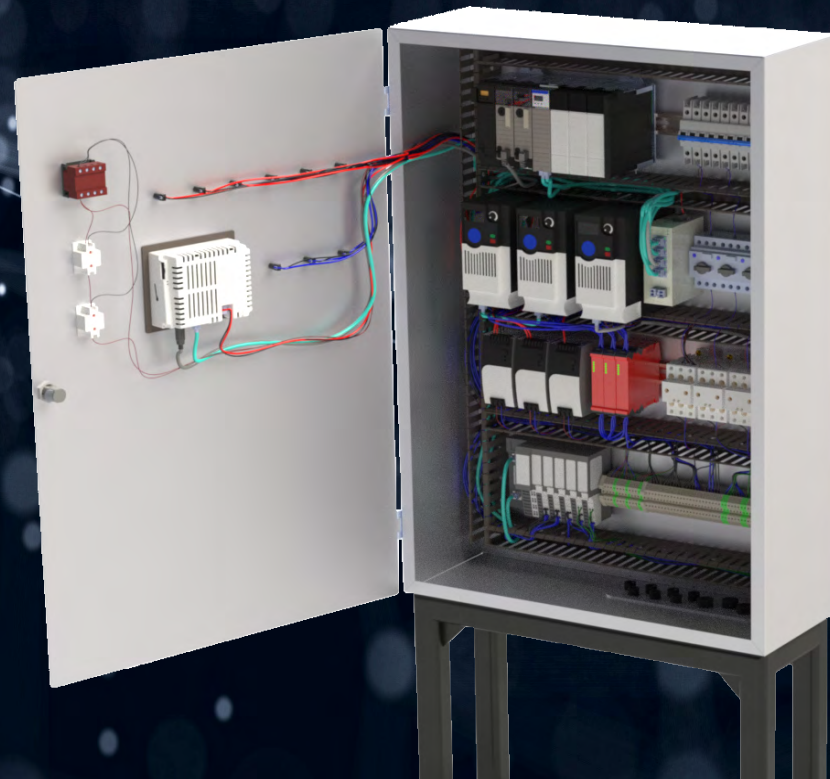
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SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

SOLIDWORKS ELECTRICAL helps to simplify complex processes by generating integrated top-down, fully-detailed electrical, pneumatic, and hydraulic systems in a multi-user environment.

- This top-down approach is collaborative in nature linking schematic locations to 3D assemblies and subassemblies.
- This workflow optimizes the development process, design time, and communications between disciplines.



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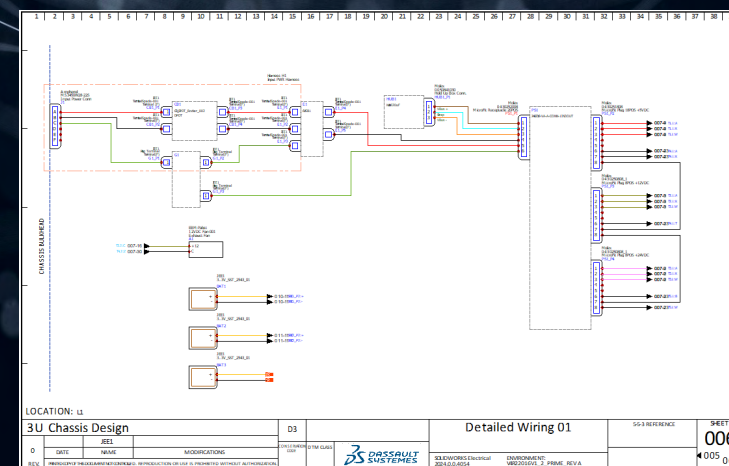
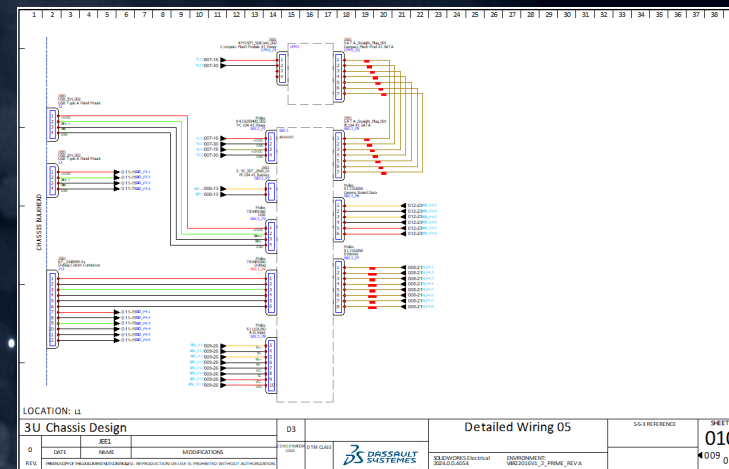
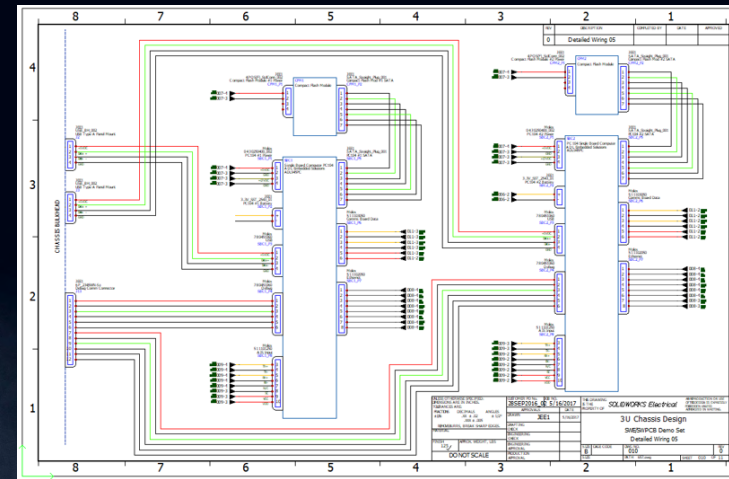
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SCHEMATICS

SOLIDWORKS ELECTRICAL'S schematic capture capabilities allow you to create intuitive, customizable, and automated designs helping you spend more time designing and less time performing re-work.

- Automatically generate terminal block drawings based on and synchronized with real-time design
- With Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) management, you can automate PLC wiring tasks and import PLC data
- The application intelligently guides you as you design and visualize your system's I/Os
- Automatically generate reports based on real-time design database queries
- Utilizing Design Rule Checks (DRCs) help to ensure consistent deliverables



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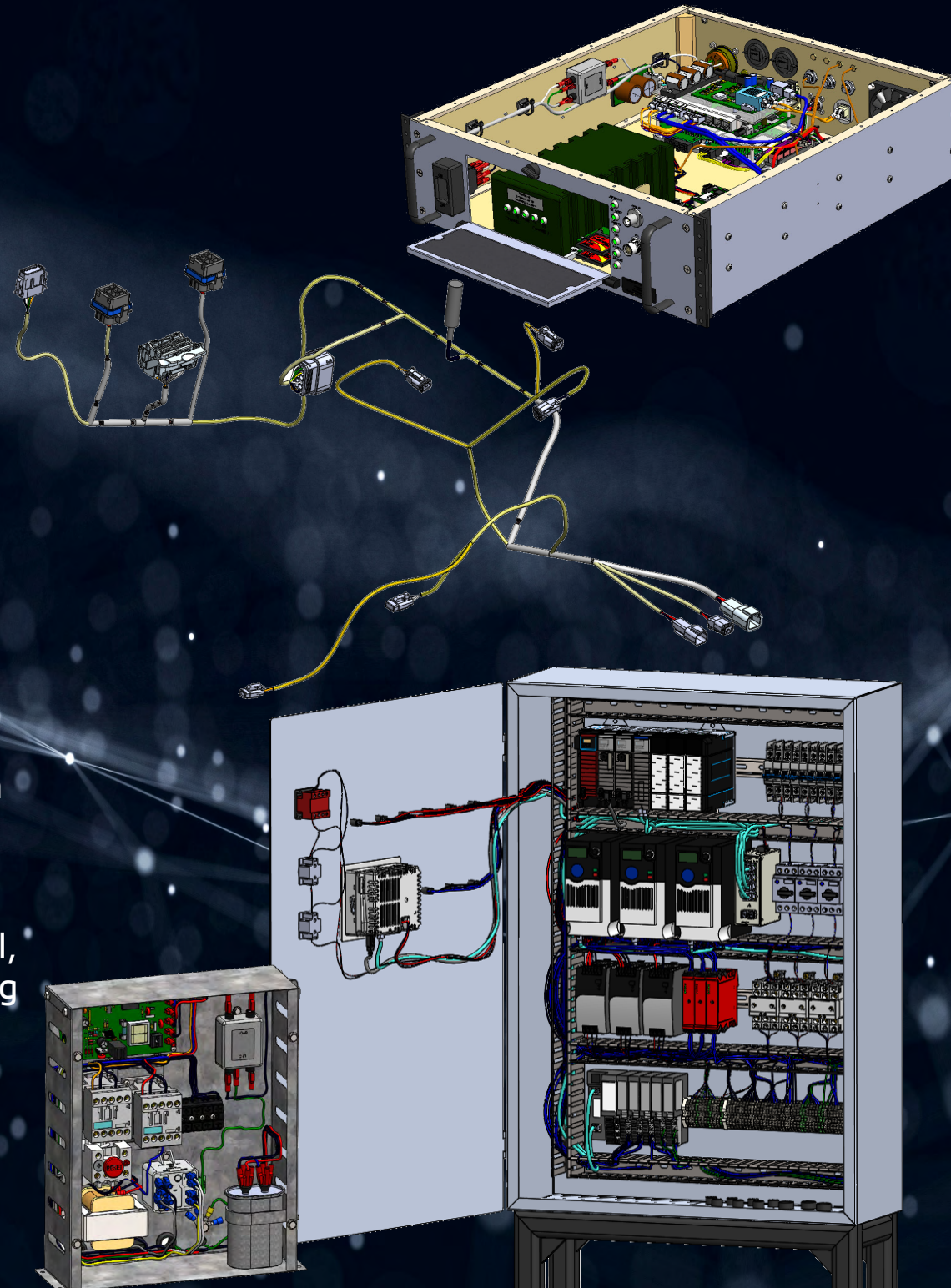
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COLLABORATE WITH 3D

SOLIDWORKS ELECTRICAL 3D connectivity provides the power to link all system components to their affiliated 3D part while also ensuring design continuity.

Linking engineering data tackles several important business issues:

- Provides manufacturing with the most realistic view based on design intent.
- Automatically calculates conductor length for use in reports and cable assembly drawings.
- Provides a mockup for marketing material, for building customer relations, or creating a virtual twin.



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MANUFACTURING

SOLIDWORKS ELECTRICAL prepares you for the manufacturing processes by allowing for customization and automated report generation.

- Create manufacturer drawings that include callouts, notes, dimensioning, detail views, connector tables, projected views, stub lengths, and more.
- The flow of information from 2D schematics to 3D assemblies, flattened views, and drawings helps to avoid time-to-market delays and reduce manufacturing defects
- If an engineering change is required, the flow of information allows you to rebuild with minimal effort.

The image displays a comprehensive set of engineering outputs from SolidWorks Electrical. At the top, a 3D perspective view of a chassis assembly is shown with various components and their connections. Below this, a 2D schematic diagram illustrates the electrical wiring and component placement. A large, detailed Bill of Materials (BOM) table is prominently featured, listing numerous parts with their descriptions, quantities, and units. The BOM table includes columns for 'ITEM', 'PART NUMBER', 'DESCRIPTION', 'QTY', and 'UNITS'. Below the BOM, there are several smaller tables and diagrams, including a 'Flattened View' of the assembly and a 'Bill of Materials by Vendor' table. The bottom right corner shows a 'LOCATION: 001' and '803' label, indicating the specific location and quantity of a component.

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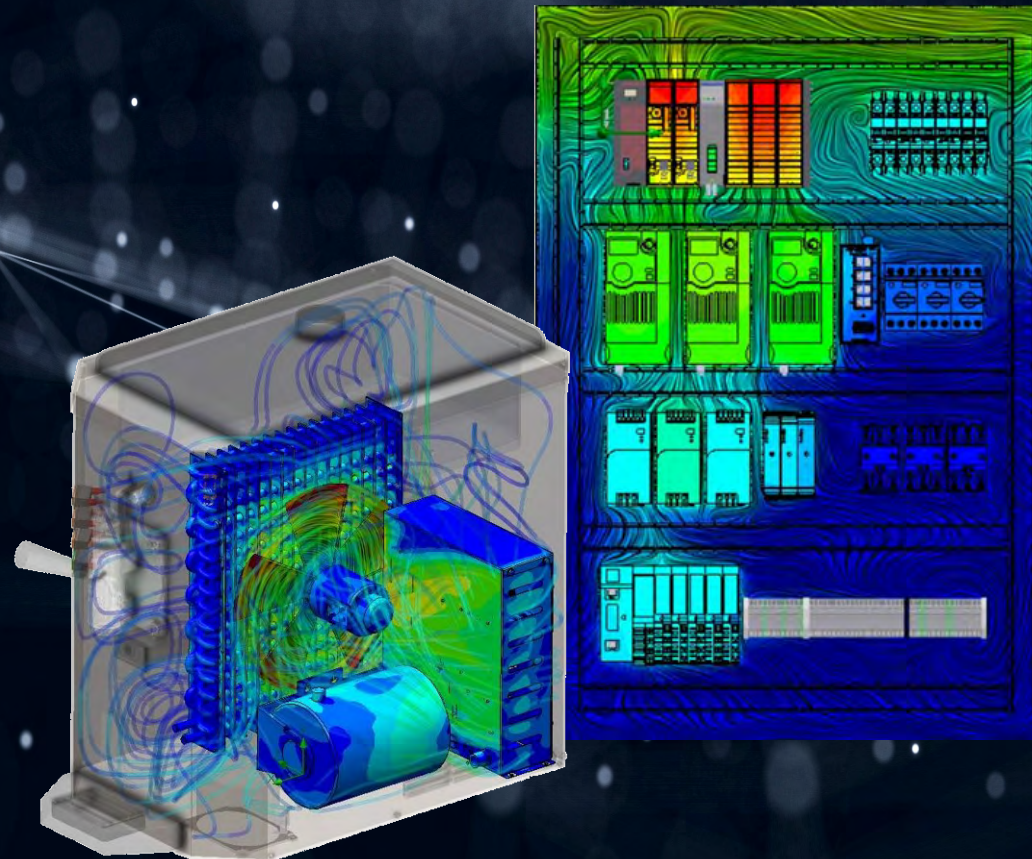
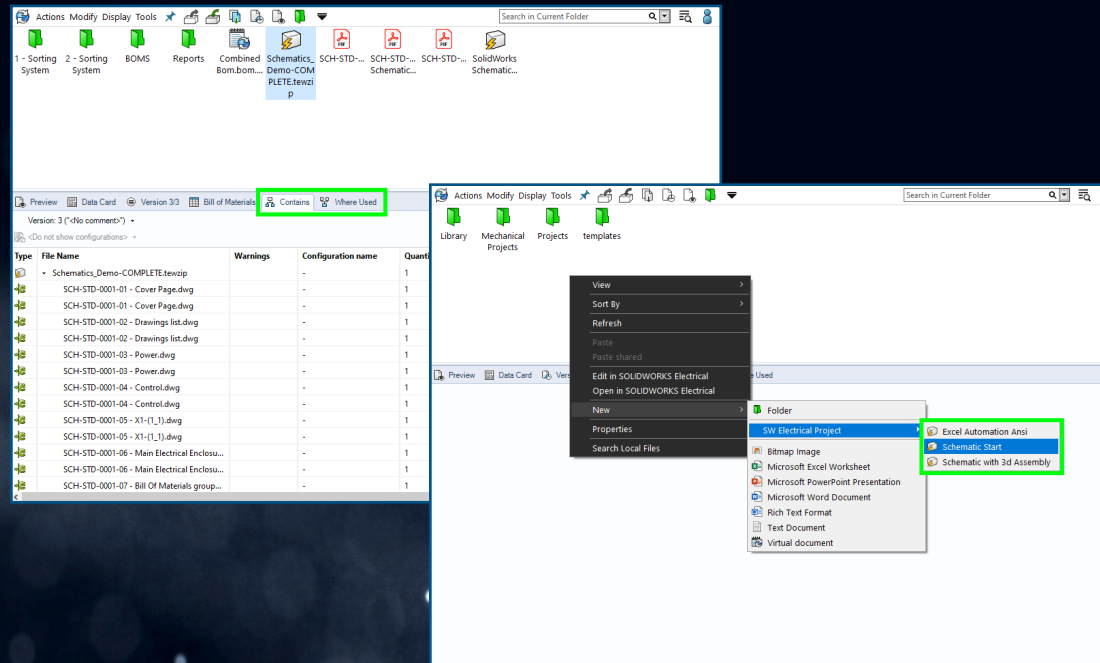
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SOLIDWORKS ELECTRICAL projects can be governed and organized with Product Data Management (PDM), which helps maintain a single source of truth.

- With the connection to Product Data Management, custom workflows and approval processes can be put in place.
- The ability to automatically generate new projects from within PDM, streamlines the development and design processes.

Project data can also be shared for analysis, such as thermal simulation.

- Data analysis helps to ensure equipment, projects, and systems are valid helping to eliminate prototyping.



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SOLIDWORKS ELECTRICAL is an end to end solution that envelops the entire process, from initial system architecture through manufacturing using intelligent and connected applications.

Many existing processes are initially implemented using disconnected tools. These isolated processes result in substantial modifications, increased costs, and position the electrical design late in the process.

By promoting collaboration with other disciplines like mechanical, pneumatic, and fluidic engineering, we can make better decisions and create high quality products with a shorter time to market.



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INCREASE COLLABORATION, IMPROVE EXECUTION, AND ACCELERATE INNOVATION

SOLIDWORKS ELECTRICAL is an extremely valuable asset for systems engineering, but when we take a step back and look at the bigger picture, Dassault Systèmes offers a much broader portfolio than just electrical design.

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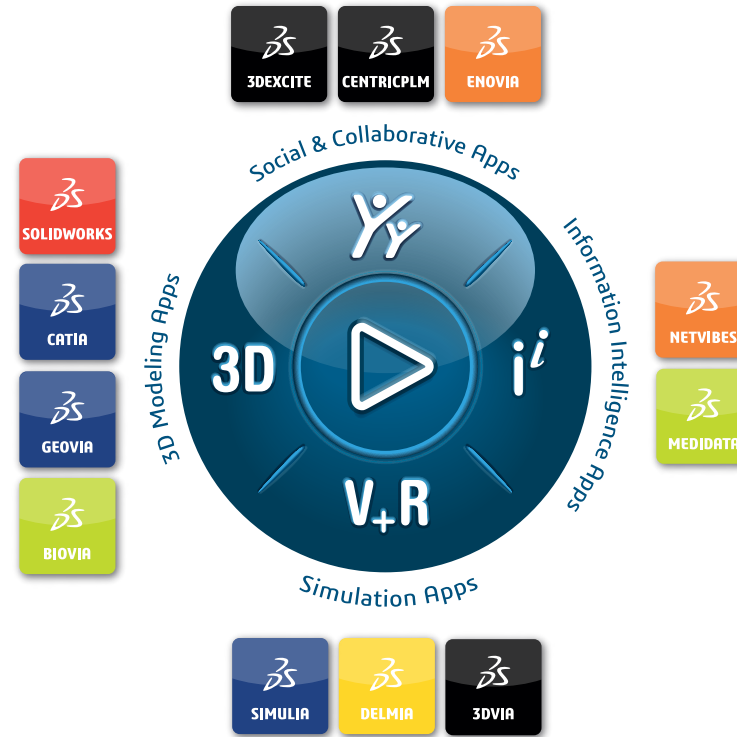
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