Visual-Environment
OPEN & COLLABORATIVE ENGINEERING ENVIRONMENT

End-to-end decision support system
Single integrated environment
Visual-Environment

An integrated and versatile virtual prototyping platform for improved productivity.

Visual-Environment is a flexible and open engineering framework within a common platform, addressing multiple simulation domains. It encompasses the entire Computer-Aided Engineering (CAE) process from interfacing with Computer-Aided Design (CAD) to model set-up and post-processing all using a single core compute model.

For each application, engineers benefit from the comprehensive modeling tool Visual-Mesh to generate solution quality meshes on complex geometries for various trades including Crash, Safety, NVH, Energy, Heat Treatment, Weld, Casting, Flow, Electromagnetism, etc. Visual-Viewer post-processing tool caters to the requirements of the CAE community through its multi-page / multi-plot environment. The integrated software development toolkit, Visual-Software Development Toolkit (Visual-SDK), allows users to customize and extend this open architecture through process templates and macros.

Visual-Environment incorporates engineering knowledge, best practices, process, workflow management and simulation content management into your engineering design process.

Benefits

- Simulate complete workflows for a variety of physics within a single integrated environment;
- Reduce cost and time by eliminating tedious data exchange through the use of a single core compute model;
- Boost individual productivity with task automation;
- Shorten time per design iteration thanks to process automation;
- Improve product quality through a framework that enables concurrent engineering;
- Customize enterprise solutions with minimal effort.

VisualDSS, the end-to-end decision support system for CAE.

VisualDSS, an application within Visual-Environment, gathers simulation data from the different applications used during the whole simulation lifecycle and connects it all together. It enables the capture, storage and reuse of your enterprise knowledge and best practices, as well as the automation of repetitive and cumbersome tasks in your virtual prototyping process, and the propagation of engineering changes or design changes from one domain to another.

Hence, with VisualDSS consequences that design changes or engineering changes might have on the overall performance of the product are better understood.

VisualDSS connects to customer enterprise information such as Product Data Management (PDM) or Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) and it integrates easily within the IT and data architecture of every company, by supporting most IT standards and linking to standard or corporate databases or Product Lifecycle Management (PLM) systems.
Visual-Cast
Visual-Cast is a complete, productive and innovative meshing-pre-post processing environment for foundry applications. It boosts the productivity of foundry engineers by performing automated tasks set-up based on CAD to customized reports within a multi page/window/model environment.

Visual-Weld
Visual-Weld is a workflow-based user interface for modeling welding fabrication processes including all manufacturing details. It facilitates fast and accurate distortion and weld quality virtual engineering at any stage of product design and manufacturing.

Visual-SYSTUS
Visual-SYSTUS is a pre-processing environment for multiphysics applications to manage mechanical, electrotechnical, heat transfer data model, material and beam sections data, boundary conditions and loads. Dedicated workflows allow you to handle optimal multiphysics simulations. Visual-SYSTUS speeds up your engineering process by building, managing and checking multiphysics complex models and automating related tasks.

Visual-DSS
END-TO-END DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEM FOR CAE
SAMSUNG Electronics Co. saves up to 90% engineering time with ESI’s VisualDSS

“Using guided CAE automation early in the design process enables us to identify the right concepts and verify design changes in order to save time and cost. As we are very satisfied with ESI’s support and assistance throughout the project, we are looking into implementing the simulation data management system in other divisions.”

Jeong-Rho Lee, Senior Engineer, SAMSUNG Electronics Corporation

The Nissan Technical Center develops a new automation safety tool thanks to VisualDSS

“With the Visual-Process module in VisualDSS, developed automation tools on FMVSS 210 Seatbelt Anchorage Analysis gave us not only immediate return on investment but also the confidence to leverage these tools to increase repeatability and reproducibility with substantial lead time and labor cost reduction.”

Daniel Kim, Nissan Technical Center, NA

Safran Engineering Services uses Visual-Composite Materials for the virtual manufacturing and performance of a racing composite boat

“Using the Implicit and Explicit modules of Virtual Performance Solution as well as Visual-Composite Materials was very useful because we were able to model all kinds of materials and parts like the rigging, the keel and the mast.”

Nicolas Diot, Dynamics and Passive Safety CAE Manager, Safran Engineering Services (SAFRAN Group)

IAC streamlines its automotive component simulation and reporting process with Visual-Process and Visual-Safe

“With the use of Visual-Safe IHIT, we have been able to improve turnaround time from 3 weeks to 1 week on interior head impact. Target points, zone, approach angles, impactor / headform positioning in the FEA model and report generation are automatically done by using this software.”

Arun Chickmenahalli, FEA Manager in International Automotive Component

Toyota saves on iteration time between the processes using several Visual-Environment modules

“With the help of Visual-Crash DYNA, Visual-Viewer and Visual-Process modules of Visual-Environment, model setup for LS-DYNA analysis is quick, comparisons of results from different iterations are fast, simple and clear. Visual-Process allows us to set up customized macros of repeated processes to further improve turnaround time.”

Jonathan Young and Kyle A. Ott, Engineers, Toyota Technical Center

Visual-Safe MAD eases Chrysler LLC’s decision-making on vehicle safety

“With the help of Visual-Safe MAD and Visual-Viewer modules of Visual-Environment, model setup for Madymo analysis is very quick and comparing the results of different iterations is very fast, simple and clear. Visual-Environment helps us make proper decisions in vehicle safety. This tool is robust and substantially reduces the lead time and improves the productivity.”

Mahesh Swamy, Manager at Chrysler LLC.

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