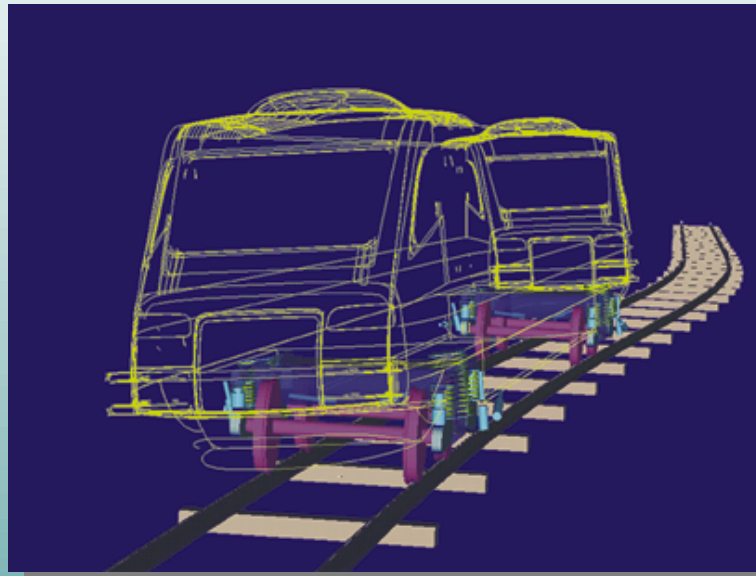


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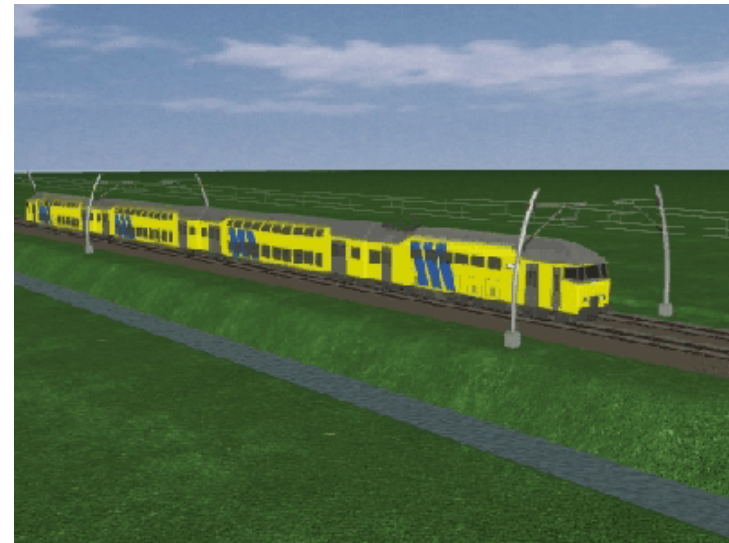


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# Agenda

- Current Railway User Community
- ADAMS Product Line
- ADAMS/Rail 10.1 Release Highlights
- Future Development Trends



# The ADAMS/Rail Customers Worldwide

- Approx. 350 active ADAMS/Rail seats worldwide
- More than 65 railway organizations and research centers forming the ADAMS/Rail Users Community
- Significant commitments achieved with international companies

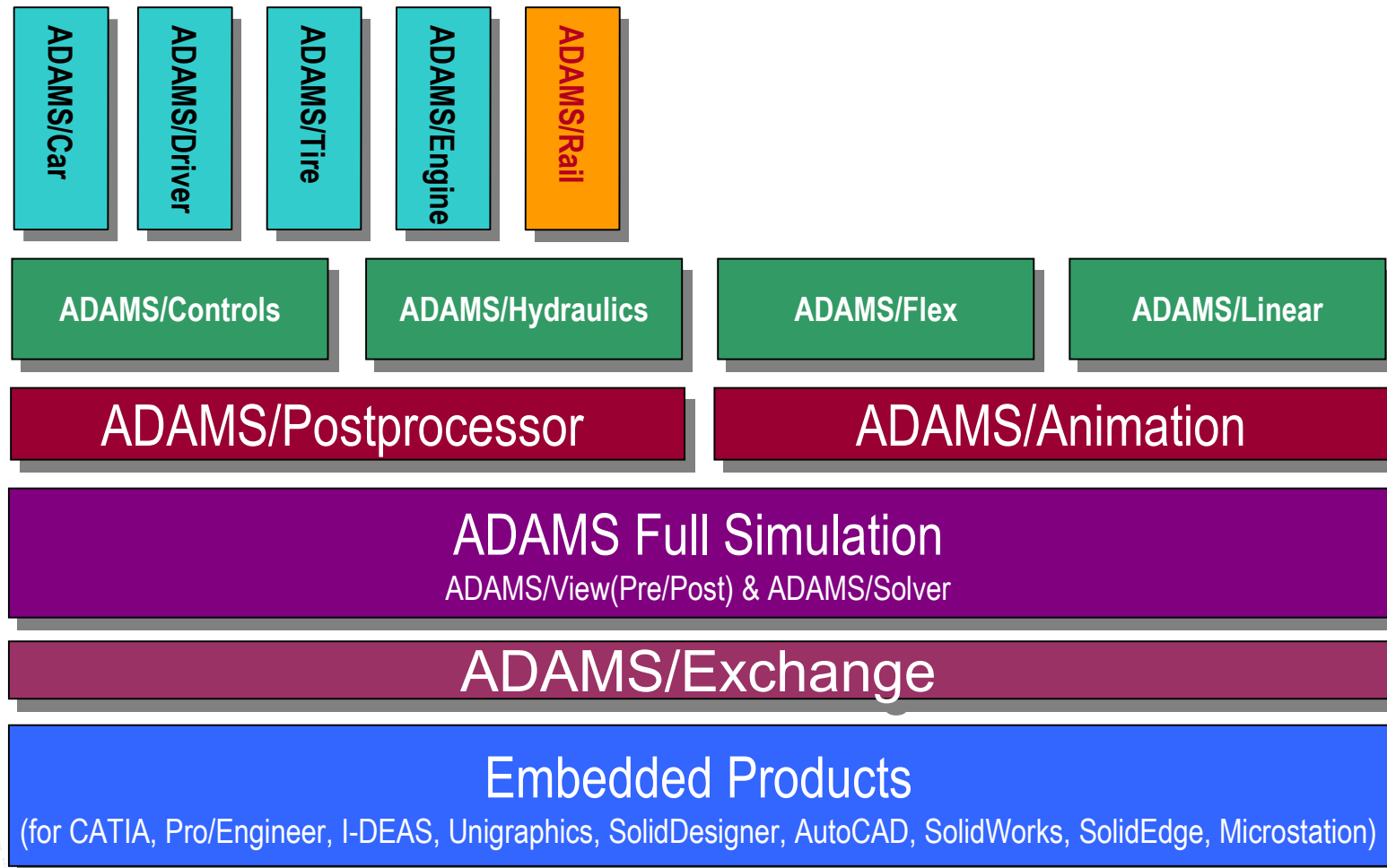


# Selected ADAMS/Rail Customers

- ABB
- Alstom
- Bombardier
- China Ministry of Railways
- DaimlerChrysler Railway Systems (Adtranz)
- Deutsche Bahn AG
- FIAT Ferroviaria
- FIAT Research Center (CRF)
- GE Transportation
- GM Electromotive
- Gunderson
- Korea Rail Research Institute
- Nippon Sharyo
- Patentes Talgo
- SKODA Locomotive
- SPOORNET
- Research Design Standards Organization (Indian Railways)



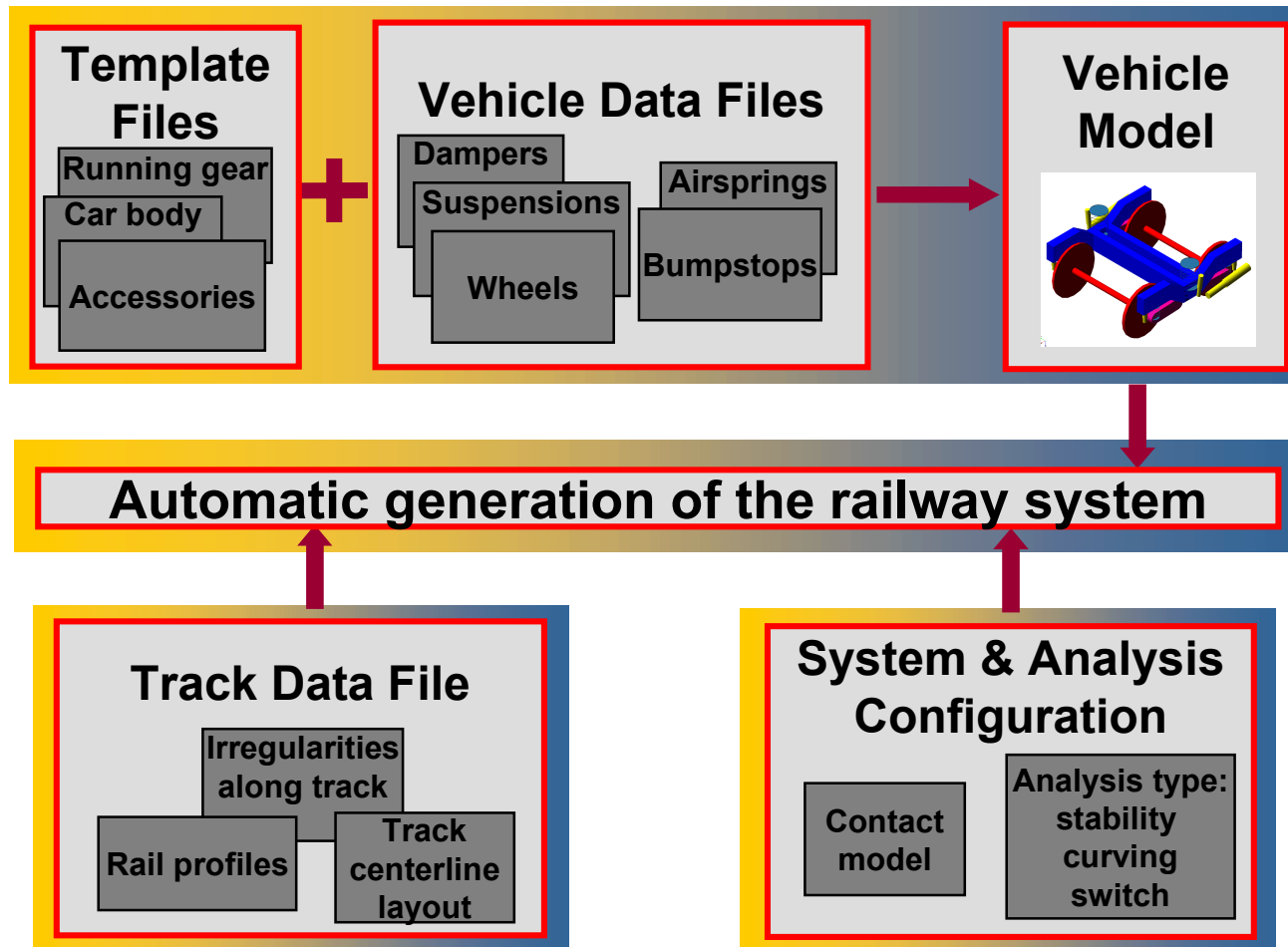
# ADAMS Virtual Prototyping Product Line



# Major Enhancement Requests

- Vehicle Model
  - ◆ Standardized GUI
  - ◆ Extended library of fully tested railway elements
  - ◆ Modular modeling and automatic parameterization
- Track Model
  - ◆ Independent rails
- Wheel/Rail Contact Model
  - ◆ Independent wheel formulation
  - ◆ Multi point contact
- Postprocessing
  - ◆ Enhanced comfort toolkit
  - ◆ Easy customization of postprocessing procedures

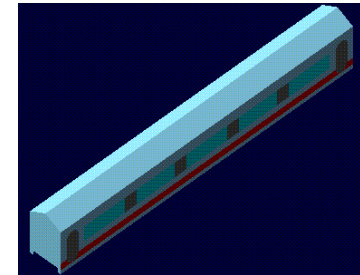
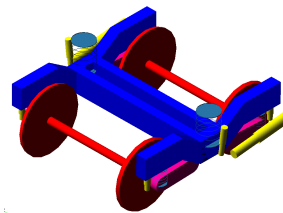
# Solution: New ADAMS/Rail Structure



# Separated model topology and data

## ■ Template Builder

- ◆ Topology Definition for:
  - Running Gear Templates
  - Car Body Templates
  - Accessories Templates



## ■ Standard Interface

- ◆ Data definition for:
  - Wheels
  - Suspensions
  - Airsprings
  - Dampers

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$-----MDI_HEADER
*** A/Rail 10.x WHEEL PROPERTIES FILE ***
'>> WHEEL PROFILE SPLINE COEFFICENTS & AUXILIARY PARAMETERS'
'Profile name          test'
'Spline type          xxx'
'Points              56'
'Approx method data   3,4,0'
'Statistic data       5.7955E-10  4.4342E-06  5.6781E-05'
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[MATERIAL]
Y_MODULUS              = 2.1E11
P_RATIO                = 0.25
$-----PROFILE_XC1C2
[PROFILE_XC1C2]
{
  X              C1              C2
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# Specifying track layout

## ■ Track definition

### ◆ Analytic layout

- Curvature
- Cant
- Nominal gauge
- Rail inclination

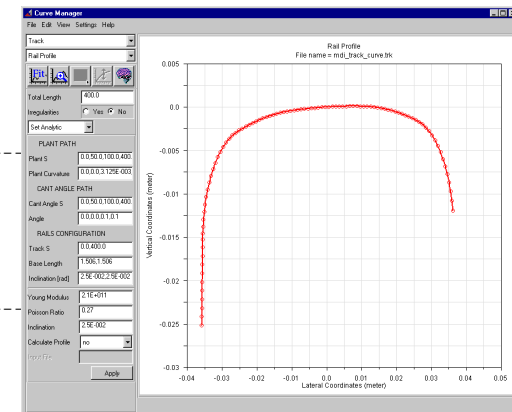
### ◆ Irregularities

- Left - right lateral and vertical alignment

### ◆ Rail profiles

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FORMAT = 'ASCII_Z'
INTERPOLATION = 'LINEAR'
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DATA_STEP = 0.266
ACTIVE_LENGTH = 400
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[PLANT_PATH]
{ plant_s curvature kink }
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  50.0 0.0 0.0
  100.0 0.003125 0.0
  400.0 0.003125 0.0
$-----
[CANT_ANGLE_PATH]
{ cant_angle_s angle [rad] }
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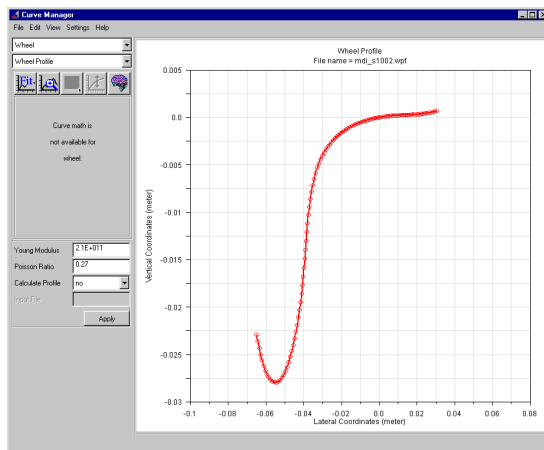


# Specifying contact configuration

## ■ Contact configuration

◆ Specifies for every wheel/rail interconnection:

- Contact elements type
- Contact elements properties



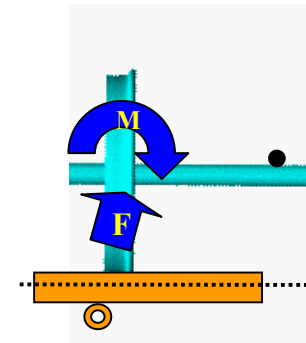
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TYPE                = 'WRTAB'
MODE                = 1
FORMAT              = 'CTC_1'
CTB_CALC_METHOD     = 'VARIABLE_STEP'
CTB_LATERAL_DISP_INC = 0.001
CTB_STEPS_NUMBER    = 16
VERTICAL_STIFFNESS_HERTZ = 1.0E9
VERTICAL_DAMPING_HERTZ = 1e4
MUX                 = 0.4
MUWY                = 1.0
DERAIL_Y            = -0.045
KALKER_FACTOR       = 1.0
CREEP_FORCE_CALC_METHOD = 'FASTSIM'
MXFSIM              = 10
MYFSIM              = 11
$-----CONTACT_2
[CONTACT_2]
TYPE                = 'WRGEN'
MODE                = 1
FORMAT              = 'CTC_1'
HERTZIAN_DAMPING_RATIO = 0.001
MUX                 = 0.4
MUWY                = 1.0
DERAIL_Y            = -0.045
KALKER_FACTOR       = 1.0
CREEP_FORCE_CALC_METHOD = 'FASTSIM'
MXFSIM              = 10
MYFSIM              = 11
    
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# New Contact Modeling Approach

## ■ Tabular element - Basic Features

- ◆ Enhancement of previous Level III
- ◆ Forces applied to wheel rotation axis center (rigid rim model)
- ◆ Contact forces dependent on wheel/rail relative position
- ◆ Irregularities applied as contact table entry



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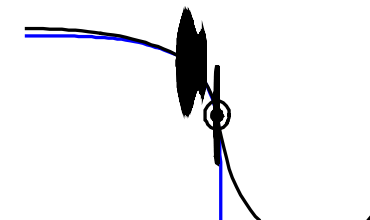
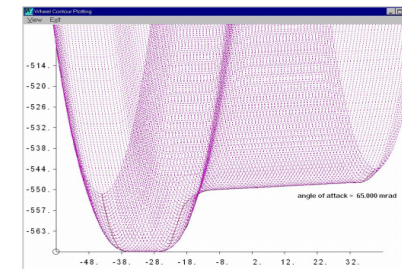
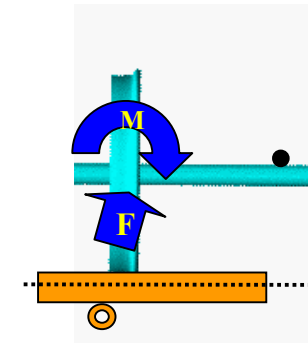
$$M = \{M_x, M_y, M_z\}$$

# New Contact Modeling Approach

## ■ General element (KE21)

### Basic Features

- ◆ On-line computation of contact points due to relative position of wheel and rail surface
- ◆ Three dimensional contact, computation of contact line as envelope of wheel disks
- ◆ Flexible, non elliptical multi-point contact
- ◆ Various wheel and rail irregularities (flats, out-of-round wheels,...)
- ◆ Guiding rails of variable length

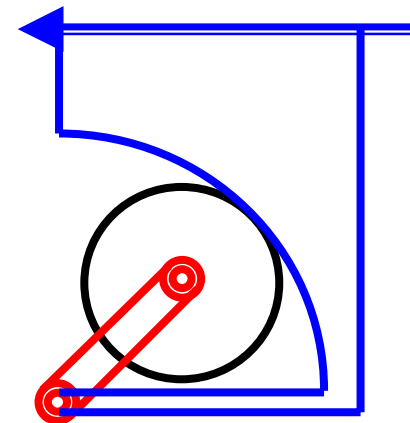


# New Contact Modeling Approach

## ■ Quasi linearized element (KE22)

### Basic Features

- ◆ Extension and improvement of former Level IIa
- ◆ Input: conicity, gravitational stiffness, roll angle parameter
- ◆ Kalker coefficient can be inputted or calculated
- ◆ Equivalent circular wheel - rail profiles are calculated and applied



# Advantages of the New Environment

- Vehicle modeling
  - ◆ Working at system level
  - ◆ Use of a standardized working platform
  - ◆ Database structure allows easy data exchange
  - ◆ Extended library of railway elements (parts and interconnections) for easy template building
  - ◆ Modeling with symmetrical approach
  - ◆ Automatic parametrics
  - ◆ Multiple use of same subcomponent in the full system
  - ◆ Data stored in property files (ASCII format)
  - ◆ Efficient subsystem debugging

# Advantages of the New Environment

## ■ Track modeling

- ◆ Analytic track description decoupled from irregularities description
- ◆ Possibility of superimposing deterministic irregularities
- ◆ Gauge variation

## ■ Outlook:

- ◆ Rail profile variation along the track (i.e. frog, switch, gap)
- ◆ Open architecture for modeling track permanent way with the desired accuracy (from linear stiffness to FE model)

# Advantages of the New Environment

- Wheel-rail contact modeling
  - ◆ Wheelsets or independent wheels can be modeled and automatically recognized as wheel parts
  - ◆ Contact properties created on-the-fly for every wheel-rail interconnection, according to wheel/rail profiles and contact type
  - ◆ Contact is modeled between one wheel and one rail with generalized force elements
- Outlook:
  - ◆ Possibility of switching along the track between different contact models



# Advantages of the New Environment

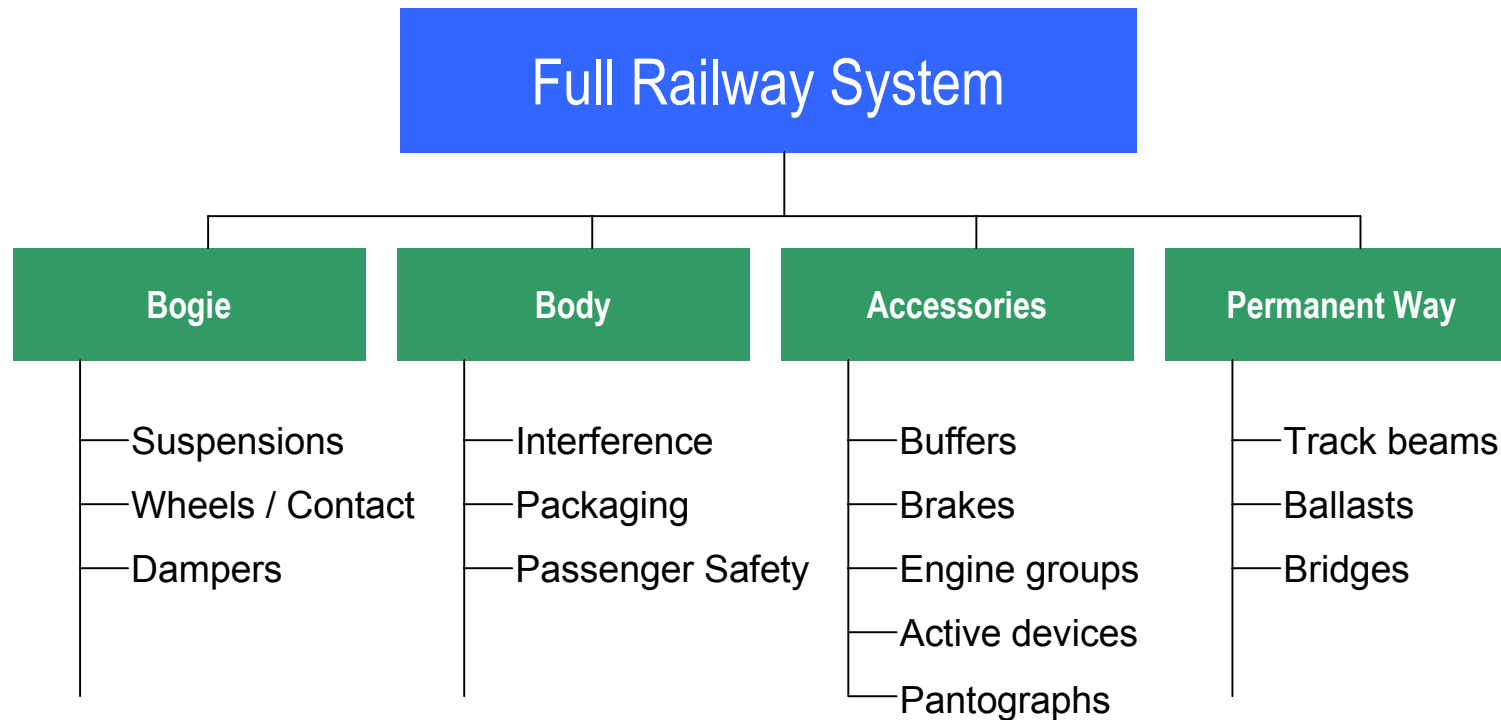
- Wheel-rail contact modeling
  - ◆ Elastic contact
  - ◆ Multi point contact (no equivalent contact point)
  - ◆ Accurate description of 3D contact (no contact tables used)
  - ◆ Traction simulation starting from  $V_x = 0$  (use of not normalized creepages)
  - ◆ Different creep force theories implemented
- Outlook:
  - ◆ Friction coefficient can depend upon creepages or upon rail profile coordinate

# Advantages of the New Environment

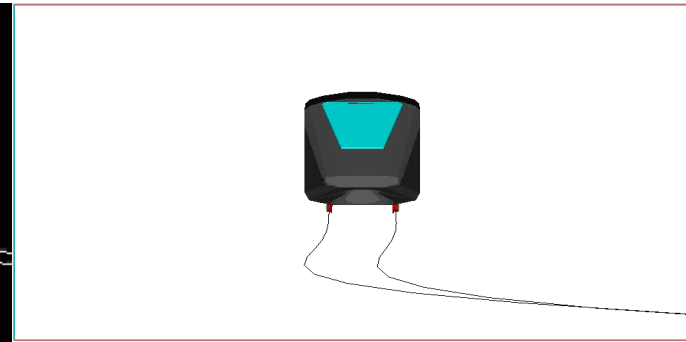
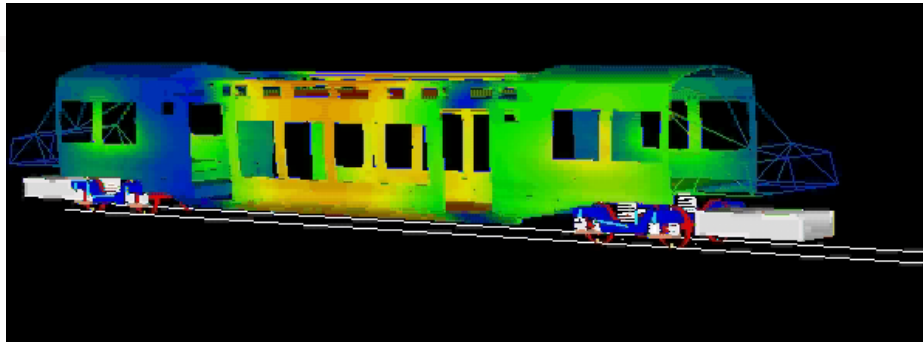
## ■ Postprocessing

- ◆ User defined names can be associated to user defined result set components and requests and stored in a configuration file
- ◆ User defined plot formatting can be stored in a plot configuration file and associated to any result set
- ◆ Enhanced curve edit toolkit
- ◆ Toolkit for comfort results according to UIC - ISO
- ◆ Useful requests generated by default (dQ/Q, Sum Y, Anc, force and displacement in suspensions...)

# Towards the Digital Functional Train



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Body

Accessories

Permanent Way

