

# Standards-Based Interoperability for Design to Manufacturing and Quality in the Supply Chain

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# Introduction

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- **International TechneGroup Incorporated (ITI)**
  - Private company headquartered in Cincinnati since 1983
  - Development offices in the United States, England, Israel and India
  - Engineering software and services
    - PLM system migration solutions
    - CAD interoperability solutions
- **Asa Trainer**
  - New England upbringing, military veteran
  - Engineering education (UMD, WSU, RPI) and university educator/researcher
  - Both aerospace and CAD industry experience
  - Interoperability solutions development
  - US and foreign patents in interoperability
  - International consortia team member
  - Interoperability product / process / program management



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  - DMDII-14-06-05
    - Digital Standards for the Advanced Manufacturing Enterprise “Operate, Orchestrate and Originate (O3)”



# The Team

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# Building Blocks to a Stds-based MBE Process

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D2MIV 2

Can we close upstream info gaps needed for downstream processes?  
Can we move downstream MBD back upstream as feedback via a Std?

D2MIV 1

Can we validate downstream MBD data against its upstream source?  
Can we map the upstream MBD Std to the downstream MBD Std?

D2MI

Can we move MBD data to downstream processes (CAM/CAI) via a Std?  
Is there a demonstrable ROI in taking the MBD downstream?

Conf/Val 2

Can we extend the Test Cases to include more “real-world” elements?  
If we do, what impact will it have on the results?

Conf/Val 1

Can we define meaningful MBD Test Cases and Model them in CAD?  
Can we Verify that the models accurately represent the test cases?  
Can we create MBD Std-based Derivatives and Validate them?

SFA

Can we Validate STEP files for proper STEP syntax?  
Can we coax better STEP file translators out of CAD OEMs & vendors?

# Building Blocks to a Stds-based MBE Process

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DMDII O3

OSD  
TDGV Proto

CAX-IF  
3DPDF-IF

JT-IF

End-user Companies

CAX & Interop.  
Vendors

Can we provide near real-time design change to the downstream users?  
Can we provide rapid feedback to designers & planners during simulation or execution?

Is there a better way to control geometric quality than global tolerances?  
Can tolerance data in PMI be used to control variation in nominal geometry?

Can the NIST benchmark data and verification/validation processes be used to drive improvement in commercial MBD (interoperability) processes?

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Can end-user companies leverage the NIST benchmark data and verification/validation processes?

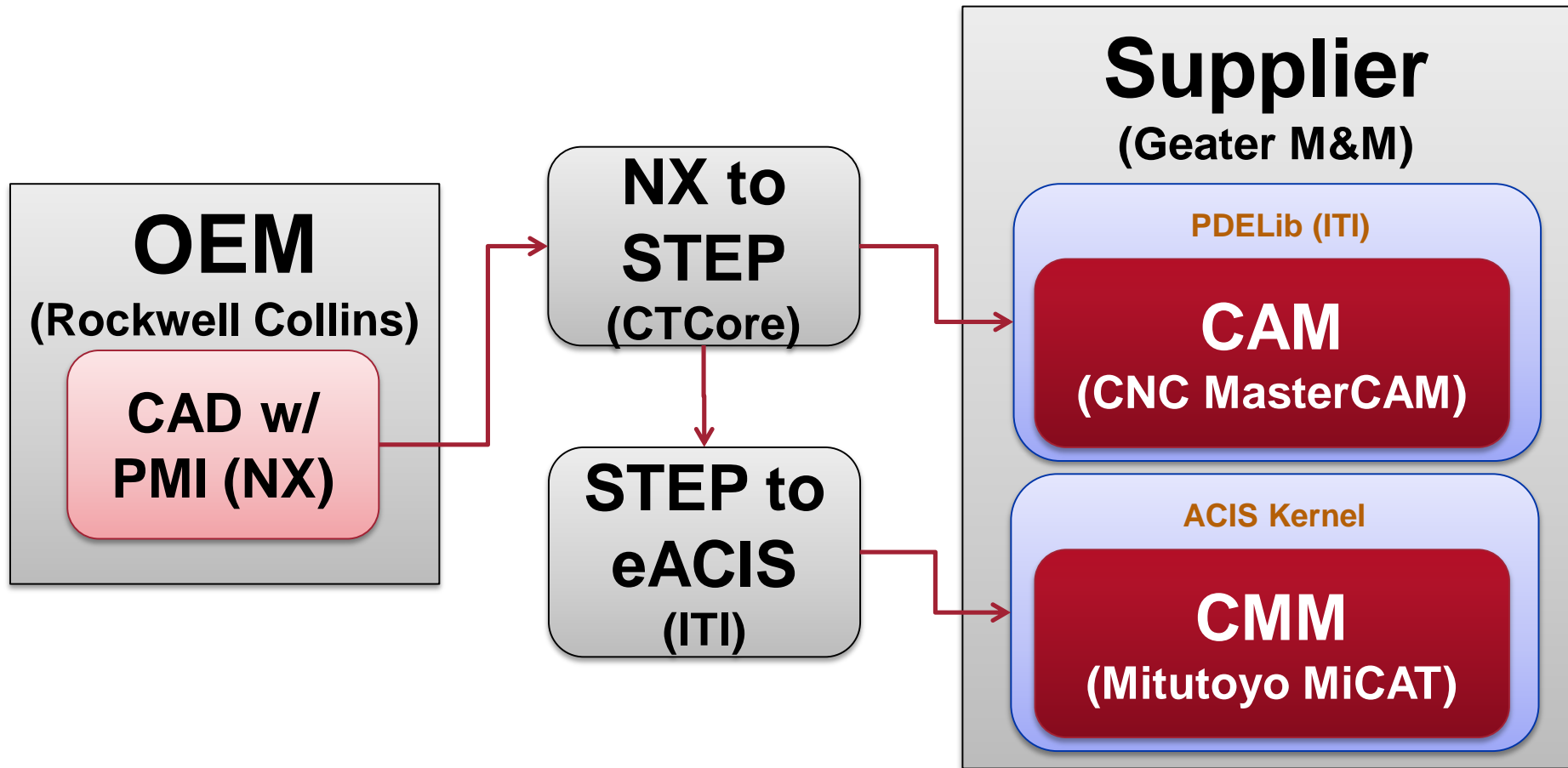
Can CAX and Interoperability vendors leverage the NIST benchmark data and verification/validation processes?

# Design to Manufacturing

D2MI

# Data Exchange from CAD-to-CAM and CAD-to-CMM

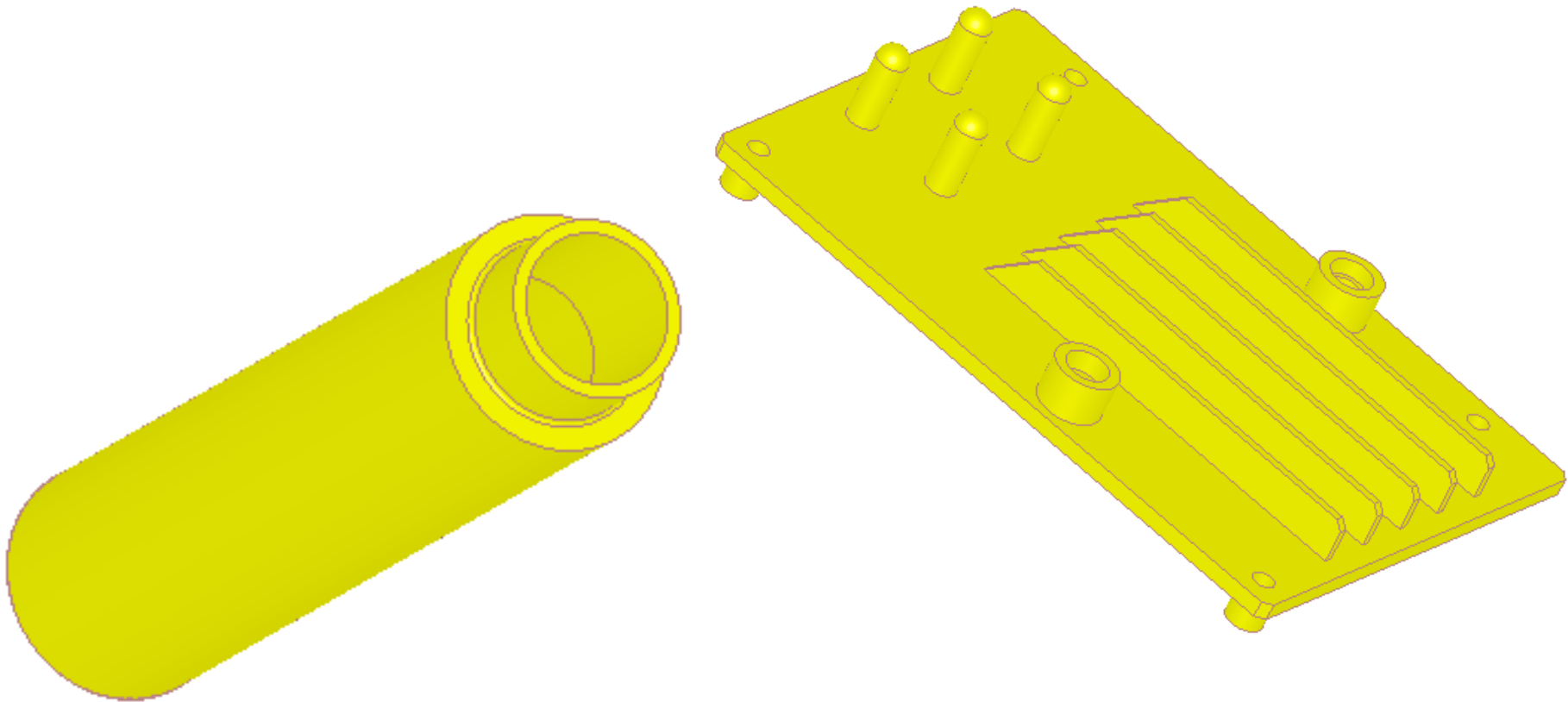
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# Test Models

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# CAD Model Creation Metrics



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CAD Metrics	Rolled Standoff 			Heat Sink 		
827-9999	-903	-905	-907	-904	-906	-908
2D PDF drawing	---	full dimension with 2D PMI annotation	key 2D PMI annotation only (PDD)	---	full dimension with 2D PMI annotation	key 2D PMI annotation only (PDD)
3D model	includes embedded PMI	not provided	with no embedded PMI	includes embedded PMI	not provided	with no embedded PMI
Number of PMI entities	23 (24*)	---	---	78 (90*)	---	---
CAD model creation (modified existing part)	0.5 hours	0.5 hours	0.5 hours	0.5 hours	0.5 hours	0.5 hours
Model-embedded PMI	3.0 hours	---	---	6.0 hours	---	---
2D PDF drawing creation	0.5 hours	1.0 hours	0.7 hours	0.5 hours	2.4 hours	1.3 hours
CAD tool issue resolution and designer education	9.0 hours	0.5 hours	0.1 hours	4.9 hours	0.5 hours	0.1 hours
CAD model resolution to address downstream issues	2.3 hours + 4.5 hours to learn NX	---	---	3.0 hours + 1.3 hours to learn NX	original dwg missing dim – required ECO	---

\* Original PMI entity count based on objects found in the NX Part navigator – eventually reduced count by issue resolution



# CAM Model Creation Metrics

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CAM Metrics	Rolled Standoff 			Heat Sink 		
827-9999	-903 3D model with embedded PMI	-905 2D drawing fully annotated	-907 2D PMI drawing and 3D model	-904 3D model with embedded PMI	-906 2D drawing fully annotated	-908 2D PMI drawing and 3D model
CAM Process Preparation a) Gather information b) Analyze job c) Determine approach	3.25 hours a) 0.25 hours b) 0.50 hours c) 2.50 hours	3.25 hours a) 0.25 hours b) 0.50 hours c) 2.50 hours	3.25 hours a) 0.25 hours b) 0.50 hours c) 2.50 hours	3.83 hours a) 0.33 hours b) 0.50 hours c) 3.00 hours	3.83 hours a) 0.33 hours b) 0.50 hours c) 3.00 hours	3.83 hours a) 0.33 hours b) 0.50 hours c) 3.00 hours
CAM Setup a) Model preparation b) Pre-program setup	0.45 hours a) 0.00 hours b) 0.45 hours	0.52 hours a) 0.07 hours b) 0.45 hours	0.45 hours a) 0.00 hours b) 0.45 hours	0.68 hours a) 0.45 hours b) 0.23 hours	0.64 hours a) 0.52 hours b) 0.12 hours	0.40 Hours a) 0.28 hours b) 0.12 hours
CAM Programming a) Part programming b) Tooling preparation	1.00 hours a) 0.50 hours b) 0.50 hours	1.00 hours a) 0.50 hours b) 0.50 hours	1.00 hour a) 0.50 hours b) 0.50 hours	3.23 hours a) 3.01 hours b) 0.22 hours	3.13 hours a) 2.75 hours b) 0.38 hours	2.30 hours a) 2.08 hours b) 0.22 hours
CAM Verification a) Create work instructions (setup sheets) b) Review process (Run VERICUT)	0.15 hours a) 0.10 hours b) 0.05 hours	0.15 hours a) 0.10 hours b) 0.05 hours	0.15 hours a) 0.10 hours b) 0.05 hours	0.42 hours a) 0.32 hours b) 0.10 hours	0.50 hours a) 0.35 hours b) 0.15 hours	0.53 hours a) 0.35 hours b) 0.18 hours
Total	4.85 hours	4.92 hours	4.85 hours	8.16 hours	8.10 hours	7.06 hours

# CMM Model Creation Metrics

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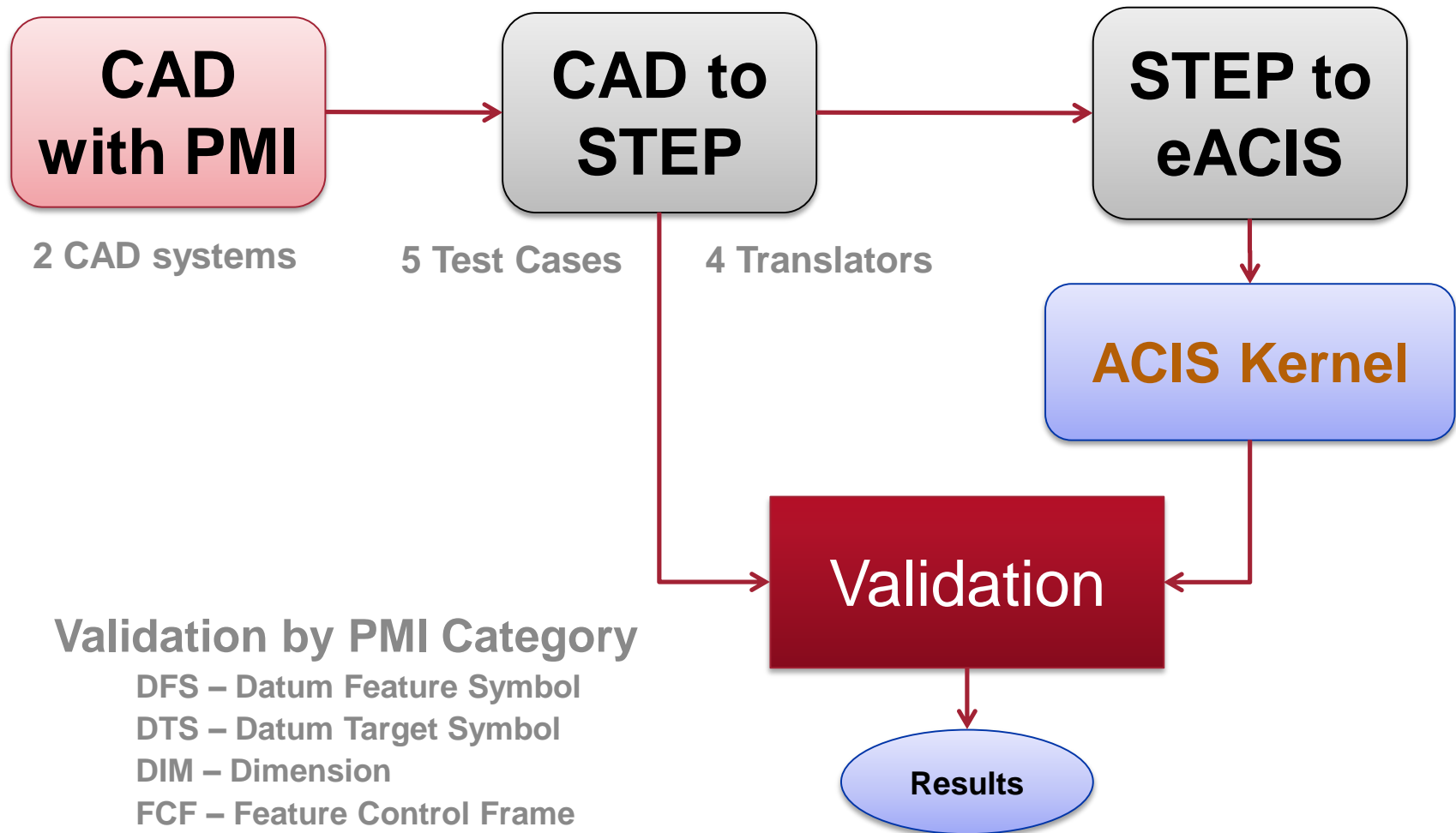
CMM Metrics	Rolled Standoff 			Heat Sink 		
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827-9999						
CMM Process Preparation				0.10 hours	0.50 hours	0.75 hours
CMM Setup				0.10 hours	0.75 hours	1.00 hour
CMM Programming				0.50 hours	4.76 hours	4.75 hours
CMM Verification a) Verify information b) Verify for collisions				0.30 hours a) 0.15 hours b) 0.15 hours	1.00 hours a) 0.50 hours b) 0.50 hours	1.00 hour a) 0.50 hours b) 0.50 hours
Inspection a) CMM inspection b) Manual inspection	0.50 hours a) 0.00 hours b) 0.50 hours	0.25 hours a) 0.00 hours b) 0.25 hours	0.25 hours a) 0.00 hours b) 0.25 hours	0.70 hours a) 0.20 hours b) 0.50 hours	0.40 hours a) 0.20 hours b) 0.20 hours	0.40 hours a) 0.20 hours b) 0.20 hours
CMM Data Analysis				0.50 Hours	0.50 hours	0.50 hours
Total Time	0.50 hours	0.25 hours	0.25 hours	2.20 hours	7.91 hours	8.40 hours

# Design to Metrology Validation

D2MIV 1

# Data Exchange from CAD-to-CMM (STEP to eACIS) with Validation

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## Validation by PMI Category

DFS – Datum Feature Symbol

DTS – Datum Target Symbol

DIM – Dimension

FCF – Feature Control Frame

Notes – Free Standing Notes

# D2MIV Phase 1 Results – RC Models

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Model File	DFS Clean	DIM Clean	FCF Clean	Clean Percent
827-9999-903	2 of 2	3 of 8	6 of 6	69%
827-9999-904	3 of 3	53 of 54	13 of 13	99%

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DFS = Datum Feature Symbol

DIM = Dimension

FCF = Feature Control Frame

# D2MIV Phase 1 Results – NIST CTCs

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## eACIS Targets Validated w.r.t. STEP AP242 Sources

Model File	DFS Clean	DIM Clean	FCF Clean	Percent Clean (xN)	Percent Clean (xNDTS)
nist_ctc_01_asme1_ct5210_rd_ct242repr.stp	2	7	6	79%	79%
nist_ctc_01_asme1_ct5210_rd_dk242repr.stp	3	6	6	79%	79%
nist_ctc_01_asme1_nx800_rd_ct242repr.stp	3	7	6	84%	84%
nist_ctc_01_asme1_nx800_rd_nx.stp	3	1	6	53%	53%
nist_ctc_01_asme1_nx800_rd_th.stp	3	9	6	95%	95%
nist_ctc_02_asme1_ct5210_rc_ct242repr.stp	0	0	0	0%	0%
nist_ctc_02_asme1_ct5210_rc_dk242repr.stp	0	0	0	0%	0%
nist_ctc_02_asme1_nx800_rc_ct242repr.stp	0	0	0	0%	0%
nist_ctc_02_asme1_nx800_rc_nx.stp	6	7	22	80%	100%
nist_ctc_02_asme1_nx800_rc_th.stp	0	0	0	0%	0%
nist_ctc_03_asme1_ct5210_rc_ct242repr.stp	6	8	13	93%	93%
nist_ctc_03_asme1_ct5210_rc_dk242repr.stp	6	8	13	93%	93%
nist_ctc_03_asme1_nx800_rc_ct242repr.stp	6	8	13	93%	93%
nist_ctc_03_asme1_nx800_rc_nx.stp	6	8	13	93%	93%
nist_ctc_03_asme1_nx800_rc_th.stp	6	9	13	97%	97%
nist_ctc_04_asme1_ct5210_rd_ct242repr.stp	8	7	5	87%	87%
nist_ctc_04_asme1_ct5210_rd_dk242repr.stp	8	9	3	83%	83%
nist_ctc_04_asme1_nx800_rd_ct242repr.stp	8	7	4	83%	83%
nist_ctc_04_asme1_nx800_rd_nx.stp	8	5	5	78%	78%
nist_ctc_04_asme1_nx800_rd_th.stp	8	7	5	87%	87%
nist_ctc_05_asme1_ct5210_rd_ct242repr.stp	4	2	6	55%	60%
nist_ctc_05_asme1_ct5210_rd_dk242repr.stp	4	3	7	64%	70%
nist_ctc_05_asme1_nx800_rd_ct242repr.stp	2	2	5	45%	50%
nist_ctc_05_asme1_nx800_rd_nx.stp	2	2	10	70%	78%
nist_ctc_05_asme1_nx800_rd_th.stp	2	2	6	45%	50%
Counts:	107	178	186	62%	67%
Percents:	72%	64%	62%		

DFS = Datum Feature Symbol

DIM = Dimension

FCF = Feature Control Frame

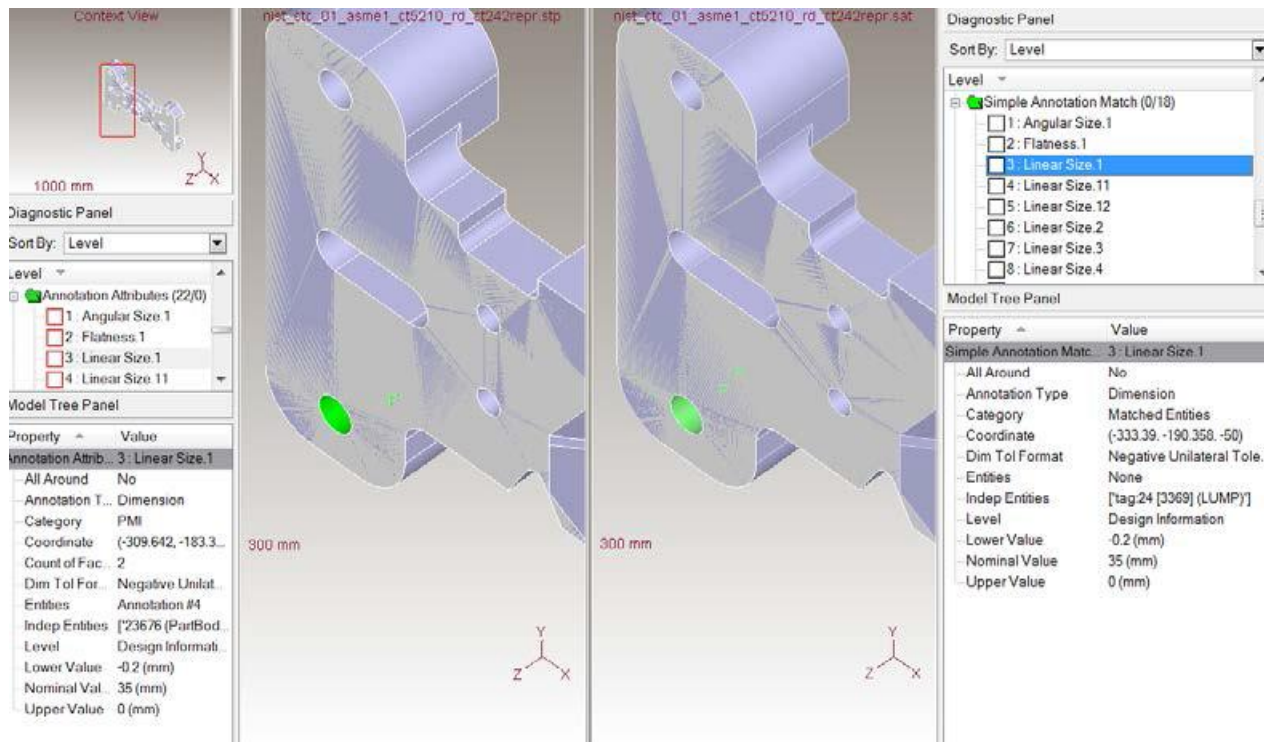
xN = Percent Clean excluding Note entities

xNDTS = Percent Clean excluding Note and Datum Target Symbols



# Validation of extended-ACIS PMI representation with Source STEP Model

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# Validation of extended-ACIS PMI representation with source STEP Model illustrating an anomaly

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The image displays a CAD software interface with three main panels: a 3D view, a Diagnostic Panel, and a Model Tree Panel.

**3D View:** Shows a comparison between a source STEP model (left) and an extended-ACIS PMI representation (right). Both views show a vertical plate with a dimension line and two red circular features. The dimension line is labeled '100 mm'.

**Diagnostic Panel:** Shows a list of semantic changes and unmatched left annotations.

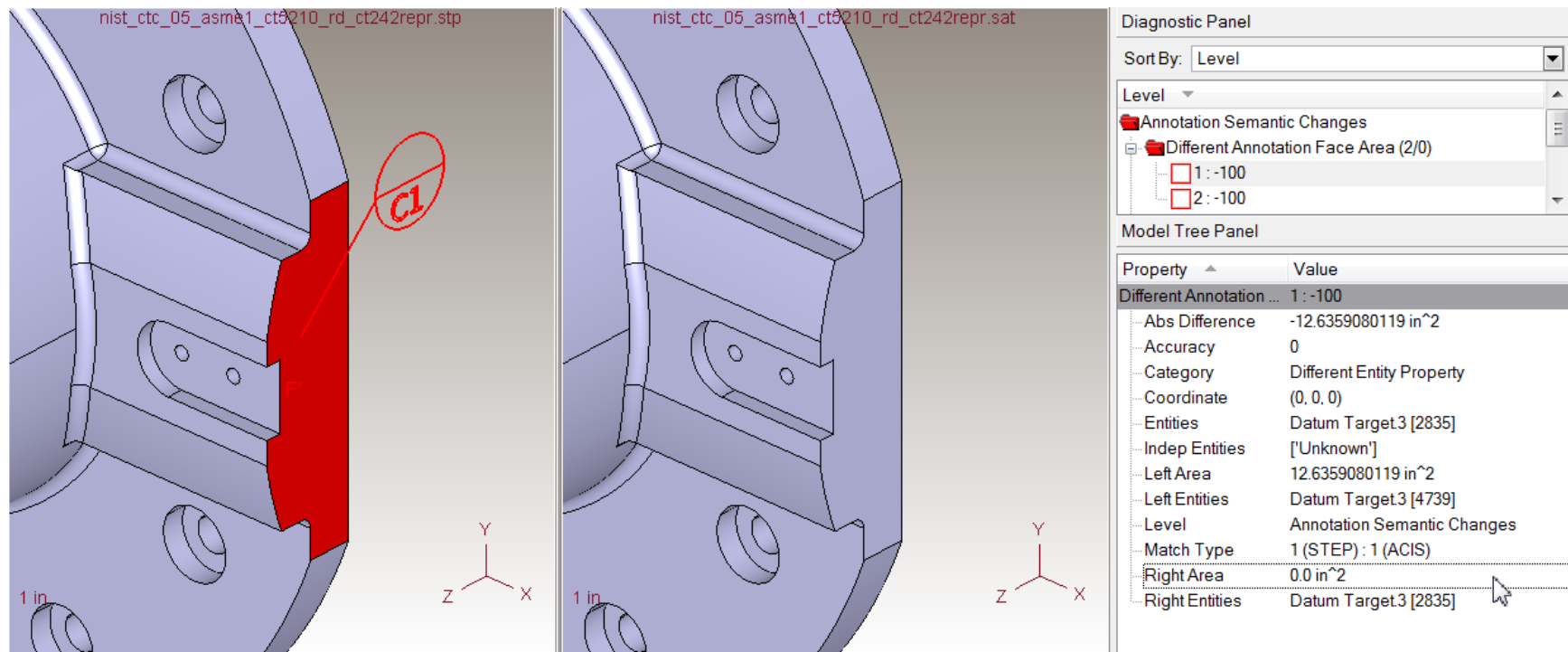
- Annotation Semantic Changes
- Different Annotation Parameter (4/5)
  - 1: Angular Size.1 [11328]
  - 2: Linear Size.13 [11331]
  - 3: Linear Size.16 [11327]
  - 4: Oriented Linear Dimension.1 [11325]
- Unmatched Left Annotation (1/0)

**Model Tree Panel:** Shows the structure of the dimension annotation.

Property	Value
Annotation Attributes (24...)	10: Oriented Linear Dim...
All Around	No
Annotation Type	Dimension
Category	PMI
Coordinate	(223.857, 213.356, 13.5)
Count of Faces	4
Dim Tol Format	No Tolerance Format
Entities	Annotation #1
Indep Entities	[75686 (PartBody)] [1068...
Level	Design Information
Nominal Value	75 (mm)

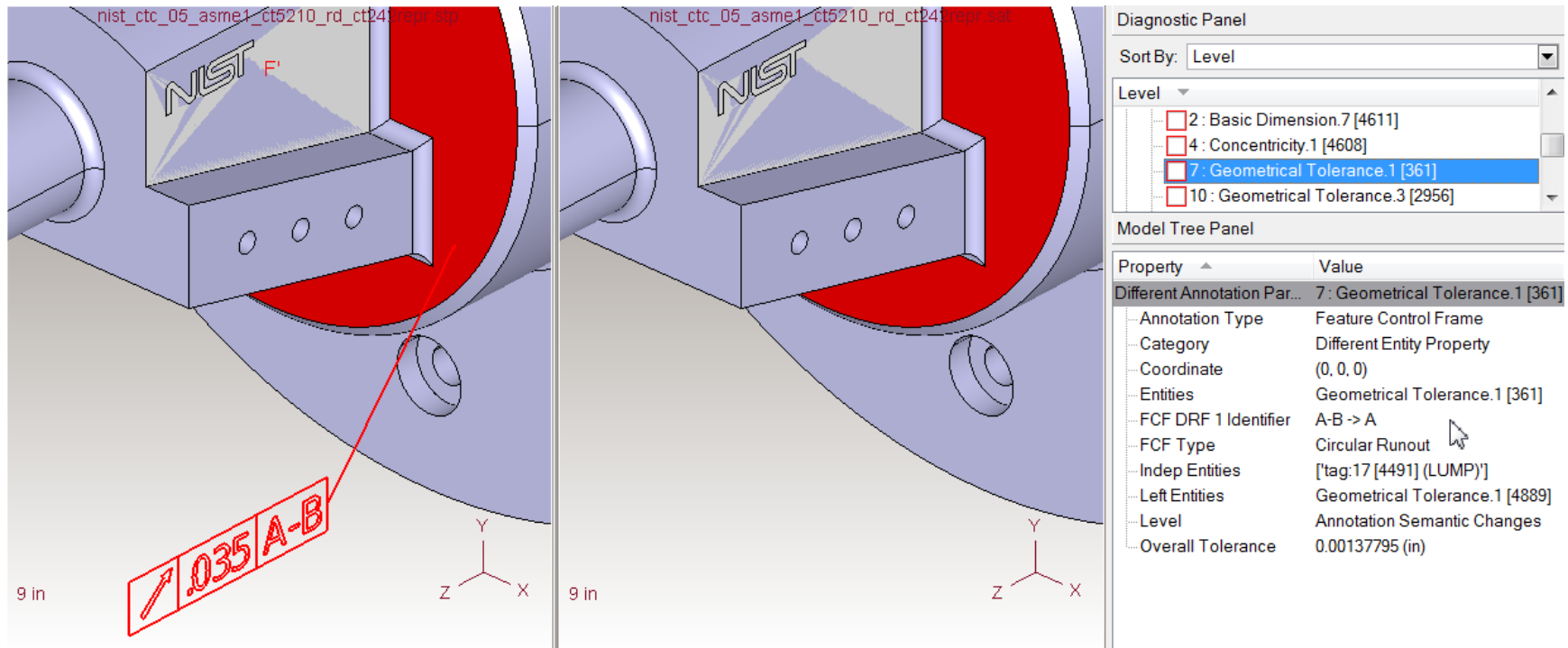
# Validation illustrating loss of Associated Geometry for a Datum Target Symbol in target ACIS model

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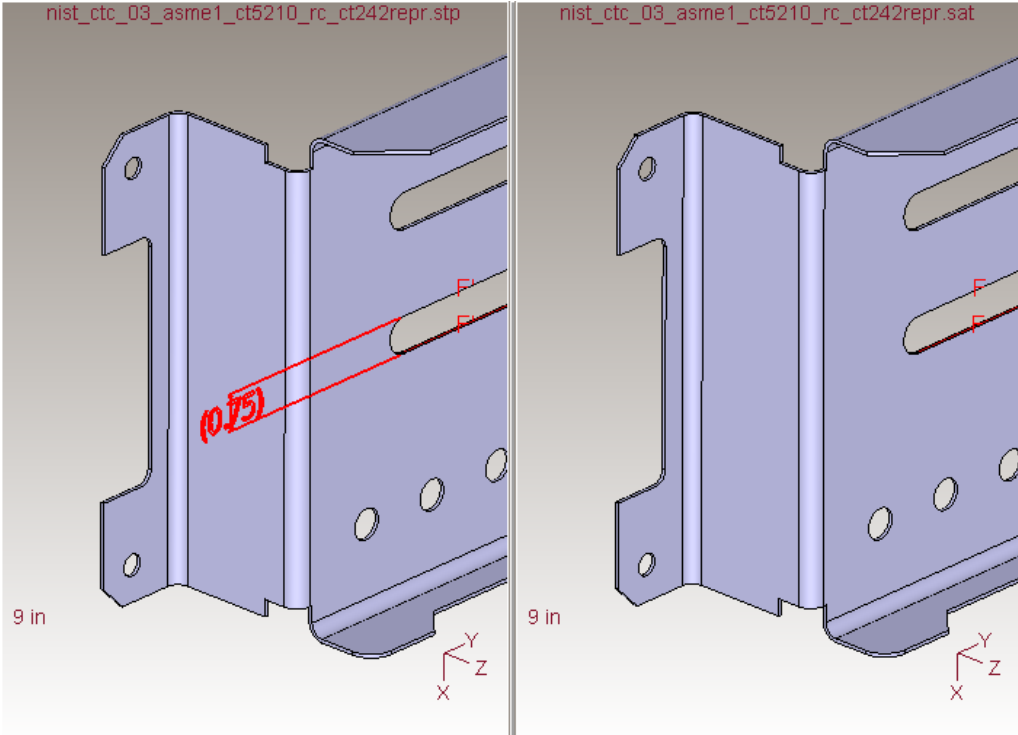
# Change to Feature Control Frame primary datum reference frame identifier

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# Unformatted dimension with no tolerances gets tolerances set to zero

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nist\_ctc\_03\_asme1\_ct5210\_rc\_ct242repr.stp

nist\_ctc\_03\_asme1\_ct5210\_rc\_ct242repr.sat

9 in

9 in

X Y Z

X Y Z

Diagnostic Panel

Sort By: Level

Level

- Annotation Semantic Changes
  - Different Annotation Parameter (2/13)
    - 3 : Linear Size.10 [3623]
    - 4 : Linear Size.11 [3615]
  - Unmatched Left Annotation (1/0)

Model Tree Panel

Property	Value
Different Annotation ...	4 : Linear Size.11 [3615]
Annotation Type	Dimension
Category	Different Entity Property
Coordinate	(0, 0, 0)
Dim Tol Format	No Tolerance Format -> Unsupported Tolerance Format
Entities	Linear Size.11 [3615]
Indep Entities	['tag:25 [3601] (LUMPY)']
Left Entities	Linear Size.11 [3736]
Level	Annotation Semantic Changes
Lower Value	0 (in) (Right only)
Nominal Value	0.75 (in)
Upper Value	0 (in) (Right only)



# Example of PMI/STEP/ACIS/QIF Mapping Table

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PMI	STEP AP242	ACIS	QIF
<b>dimension types</b>			
linear dimension	dimensional_location	spaxpmi_dimension (DIMSUBTYPE_LENGTH_OR_DISTANCE)	LengthCharacteristicDefinitionType
angular dimension	angular_location/angular_size	spaxpmi_dimension (DIMSUBTYPE_ANGLE)(no way to specify m	AngularCharacteristicDefinitionType
radius dimension	dimensional_size	spaxpmi_dimension (DIMSUBTYPE_RADIUS)	RadiusCharacteristicDefinitionType
diameter dimension	dimensional_size	spaxpmi_dimension(DIMSUBTYPE_DIAMETER)	DiameterCharacteristicDefinitionType
oriented dimension	oriented_dimensional_location	not covered	—
curved dimension	dimensional_location_with_path/dimensional_size_with_path	spaxpmi_dimension(DIMSUBTYPE_CURVILINEAR)	CurvedLengthCharacteristicDefinitionType
coordinate dimension		spaxpmi_dimension(DIMSUBTYPE_COORDDIM2D, DIMSUBTYPE_	LinearCoordinateCharacteristicDefinitionType
<b>dimension tolerance principle</b>			
independency	shape_dimension_representation.name	not covered	<>EnvelopeRequirement(FALSE)
envelope	shape_dimension_representation.name	not covered	<>EnvelopeRequirement(TRUE)
<b>dimension values</b>			
nominal value	measure_representation_item	dimension value	<>TargetValue
nominal value with qualifier	qualified_representation_item	not covered	<>TargetValue
nominal value with plus/minus bounds	plus_minus_tolerance	not covered	<>DefinedAsLimit(FALSE)
value range	measure_representation_item	dimtol lower limit/dimtol upper limit	<>DefinedAsLimit(TRUE)
tolerance class	limits_and_fits	not covered	
<b>dimension modifiers</b>			
basic/theoretical	descriptive_representation_item	dimension_type (dimtype_basic)	<>DimensionType(BASIC)
reference/auxiliary	descriptive_representation_item	dimension_type (dimtype_reference)	<>DimensionType(REFERENCE)
controlled radius	descriptive_representation_item	not covered	RadiusCharacteristicDefinitionType<>ControlledRadius(TRUE)
square	descriptive_representation_item	not covered	SquareCharacteristicDefinitionType
statistical tolerance	descriptive_representation_item	dimension_type (dimtype_tolerance)	CharacteristicDefinitionBaseType<>StatisticalCharacteristic(TRUE)
continuous feature	descriptive_representation_item	not covered	

# STEP-QIF Mapping Tables - Classes

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- **PMI**
  - Dimension Types (19/21)
  - Dimension Tolerance Principle (2/2)
  - Dimension values (45/48)
  - Tolerance Types (15/18)
  - Tolerance Zone (13/18)
  - Tolerance Modifiers (17/21)
  - Unit based Tolerance (9/9)
  - Datum reference modifiers (25/32)
- **Shape**
  - Topology (8/8)
  - Surface Geometry (11/11)
  - Curve Geometry (10/10)
- **Links**
  - PMI <-> Brep (both)
  - PMI <-> Polyline presentation (both)
- **Miscellaneous**
  - Notes (both)
  - Flag Notes (QIF)
  - Surface Finish (QIF)
  - Tables (none)
  - Global or General Tolerances (none)
  - Views (both)

(# of STEP elements / # of QIF elements)

# Results

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- **Successfully demonstrated transfer of MBD design models from OEM to Supplier and from CAD to CAM and CM systems**
- **Proved that, for metrology, savings for MBD transfer over traditional, non-MBD, was significant (70% reduction in overall process time)**
- **Validation was a valuable check on data quality**
- **STEP and QIF have similar coverage, ACIS had gaps**



# Conclusions

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- **Transformation of MBD downstream is still immature**
- **Transformation of Representation structures from STEP to ACIS requires automated validation**
  - to ensure data integrity
  - to flag any losses during the transformation process
  - to establish confidence in the transformed data
- **New recommended practices documents are required for data and processes associated with downstream uses**
  - To address both near- and longer-term gaps
- **QIF might be a stronger contender as the mechanism of choice for exchange between design and metrology**
  - It has a better schema, more well aligned to the MBD domain
  - Few systems support this format yet

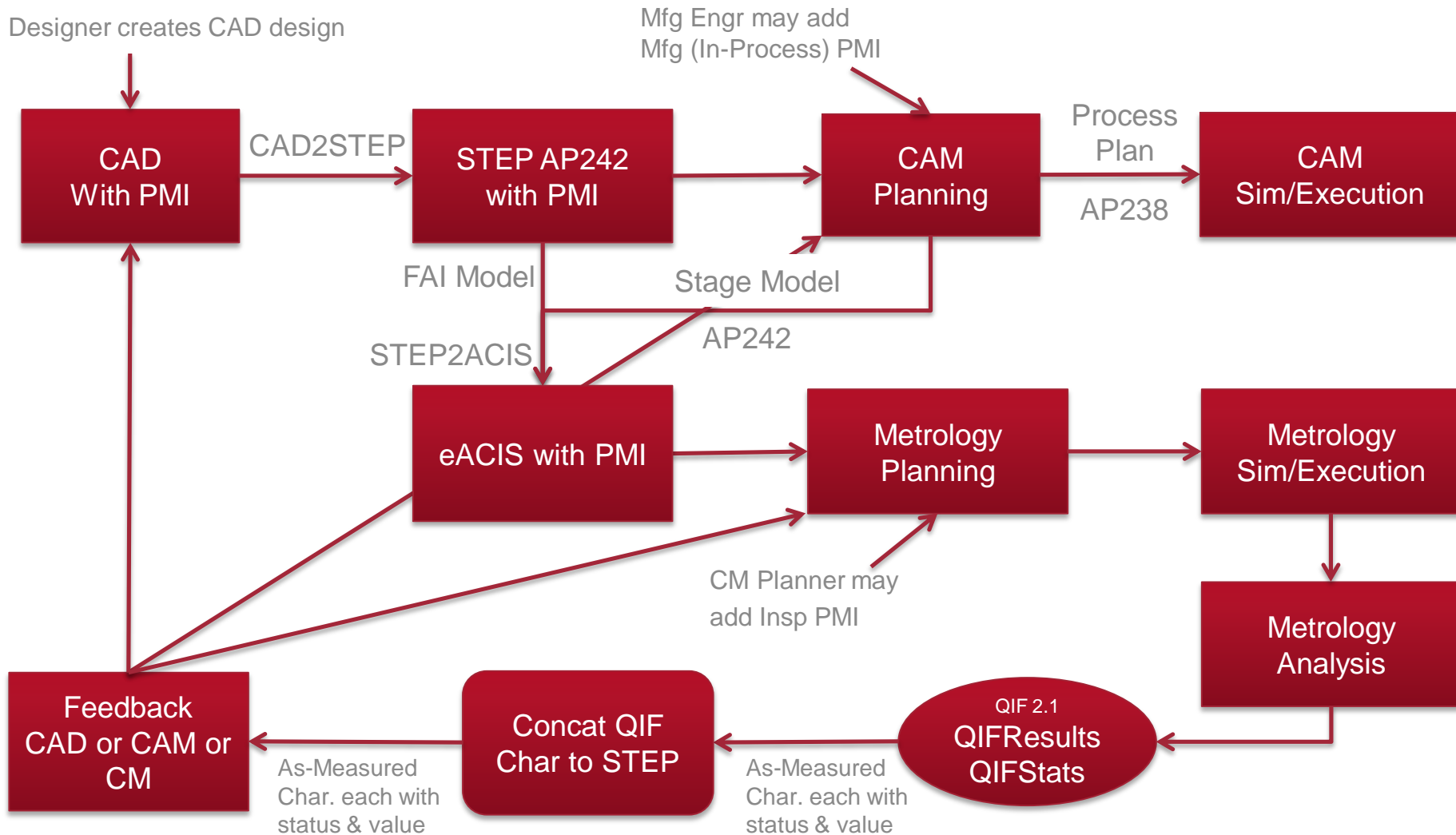
# Design to Metrology Filling in the Gaps

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# MBE Processes

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# D2MIV 2 and DMDII O3

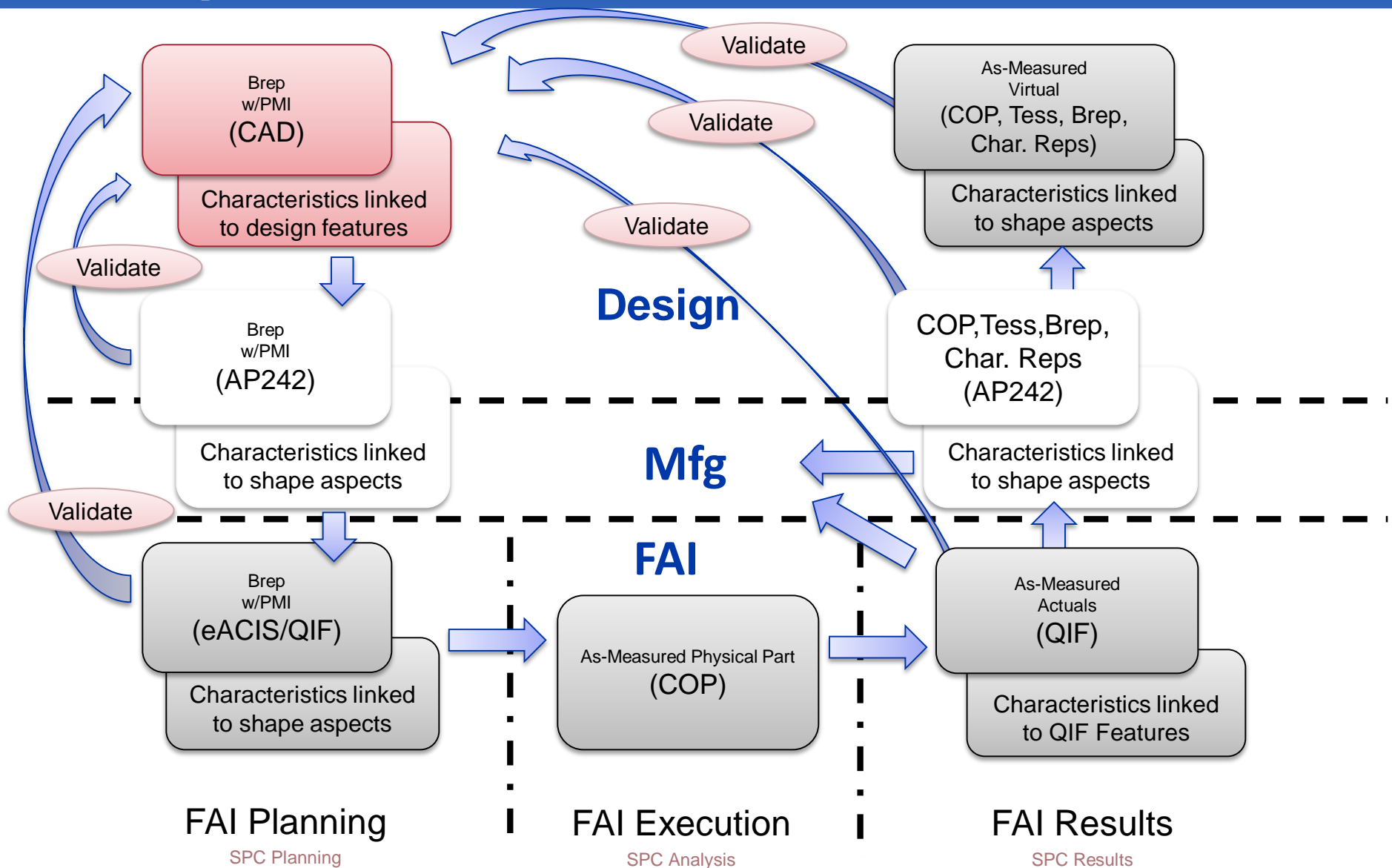
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- **Near-term Gaps**
  - **Measurement Geometry – Taper Circle example (NIST FTC)**
  - **UOS Tolerance**
  - **Surface Roughness**
  - **Agreed upon list of assoc. features and characteristics**
  - **Criticality Attribute - safety or functional**
  - **Traceability - UUIDs/QPids**
  - **QIF Results back to Design and Manufacturing**
- **Longer-term Gaps**
  - **Authentication - security checksum**
  - **Extending Validation**
  - **Metadata – External to the model (who, what, where when and why)**
  - **Certification to Standards**

# Design to Metrology - Vision

TBD

# A Vision for Interop. between Design & Inspection



# Next Steps

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- **Gaps in PMI support important for Mfg/Metrology**
  - Surface Finish, Welds, Material
  - Inclusion of Precision
  - UOS Tolerance
- **Management of UUIDs for Traceability**
  - Choice of UUID class
  - Insertion/Extraction of UUIDs on PMI
- **Demonstration of feedback from Metrology (QIF) to Design/Manufacturing (STEP)**
  - Alternate Shape Representations
  - Alternate PMI elements
  - Status

# In closing...

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- The building blocks we are setting into place are now forming the foundation for a Standards-based MBE process
  - CAD companies, interop. vendors, end-users, and consortia are all engaged and benefiting from the results of early research
  - Engaging downstream vendors and consumers in the process will accelerate the momentum around MBE
  - Research is now beginning to deliver the promise of real benefits to downstream consumers of MBD data

