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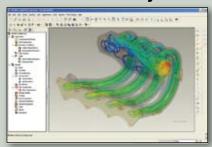
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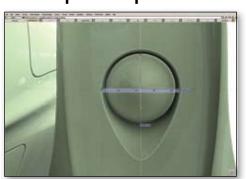
Pro/ENGINEER Wildfire 4.0 embedded fluid dynamics



Flomerics Ltd. has announced that EFD.Pro, its embedded computational fluid dynamics (CFD) application for Pro/ENGINEER, will support Pro/E Wildfire 4.0. The CFD tool offers fluid flow and heat transfer analysis capabilities to non-specialized users. Unlike other CFD programs, EFD.Pro works directly with native Pro/E geometry – with no translation or copies - in order to keep pace with on-going design changes. The application also has the ability to examine a solid model in Pro/E and automatically detect fluid regions.

www.flomerics.com

Industrial design software tools expand scope



AliasStudio 2009 from Autodesk provides a suite of tools for sketching and concept visualization through to production modeling. It introduces a new Align tool, a new Mesh Hole Filling tool, a new construction plane interface, vector options integrated into tools, as well as improvements to Keypoint curve tools, surface filleting tools, Draft, Tubular Offset and Extend. Users can also measure distances using the new Dynamic Measurement tool. Included DirectConnect software permits import of Inventor part and assembly files.

www.autodesk.com/aliasstudio

Maplesoft has announced the next release of Maple, software for solving complex mathematical problems and creating interactive technical documents. Included in the release is

CAD systems such as SolidWorks and Autodesk Inventor, extending the range of analysis on CAD models. A new collection of Dynamic Systems modeling tools for

dynamic modeling, control design and signal processing are in the release. In addition, new plotting capabilities are said to dramatically simplify the creation of complex engineering plots.

www.maplesoft.com

Engineering analysis and design

the direct connectivity between Maple 12 and

3D die design software



Logopress Corp., developer of Logopress3 3D Die Design software, along with Accurate Die Design, Inc., have announced a new Round Draw Module that runs inside the SolidWorksbased software. The function is dedicated to the strip layout portion of the current software for 3D Die Design, and is said to produce an accurate and complete strip layout in <10 min. The module automatically calculates each intermediate stage of the strip layout and is done parametrically so changes can be made easily. The function is automatic and customizable and also automatically handles stretch web management. Material characteristics are also taken into consideration.

www.accuratediedesign.com

Measuring and control software for CATIA



PRELUDE V5 Inspect, 3D metrology software from Mdtvision, provides an HMI identical to that of CATIA V5 and is integrated as a new CATIA workbench to eliminate data transfer issues as it directly uses CATIA V5 native models. The functional spectrum of the product is said to be very wide, since it is almost at the same level than Prelude Inspection version 7.

www.creaform3d.com