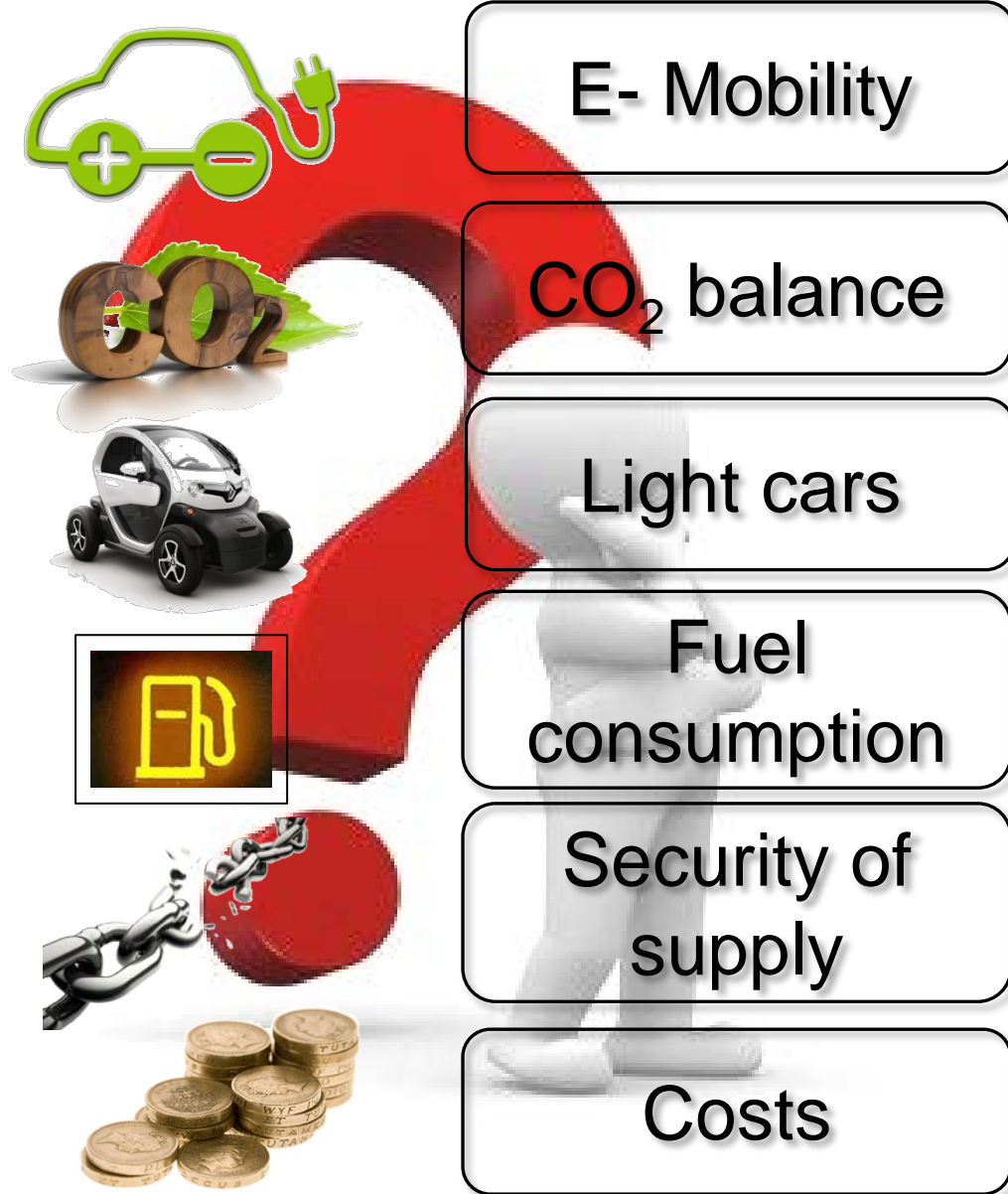


Motivation



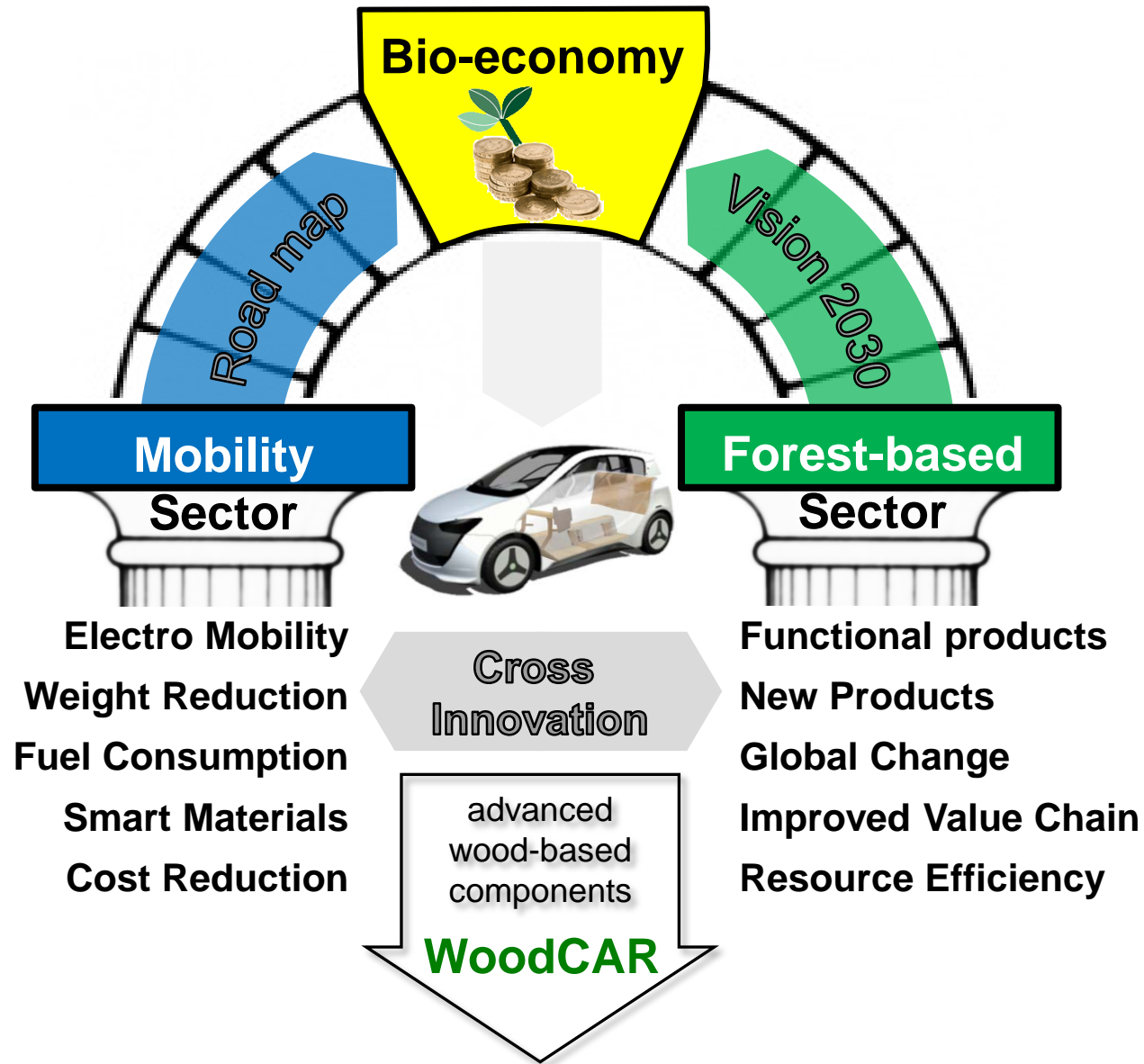
Wood-based Components



Feasibility study

WOOD
for AUTOMOTIVE
APPLICATIONS

Strategic Background



Bio-economy – a major trend to meet future challenges in:

- **Mobility Sector**
- **Forest-based Sector**

Actual Challenges & Boundary Conditions

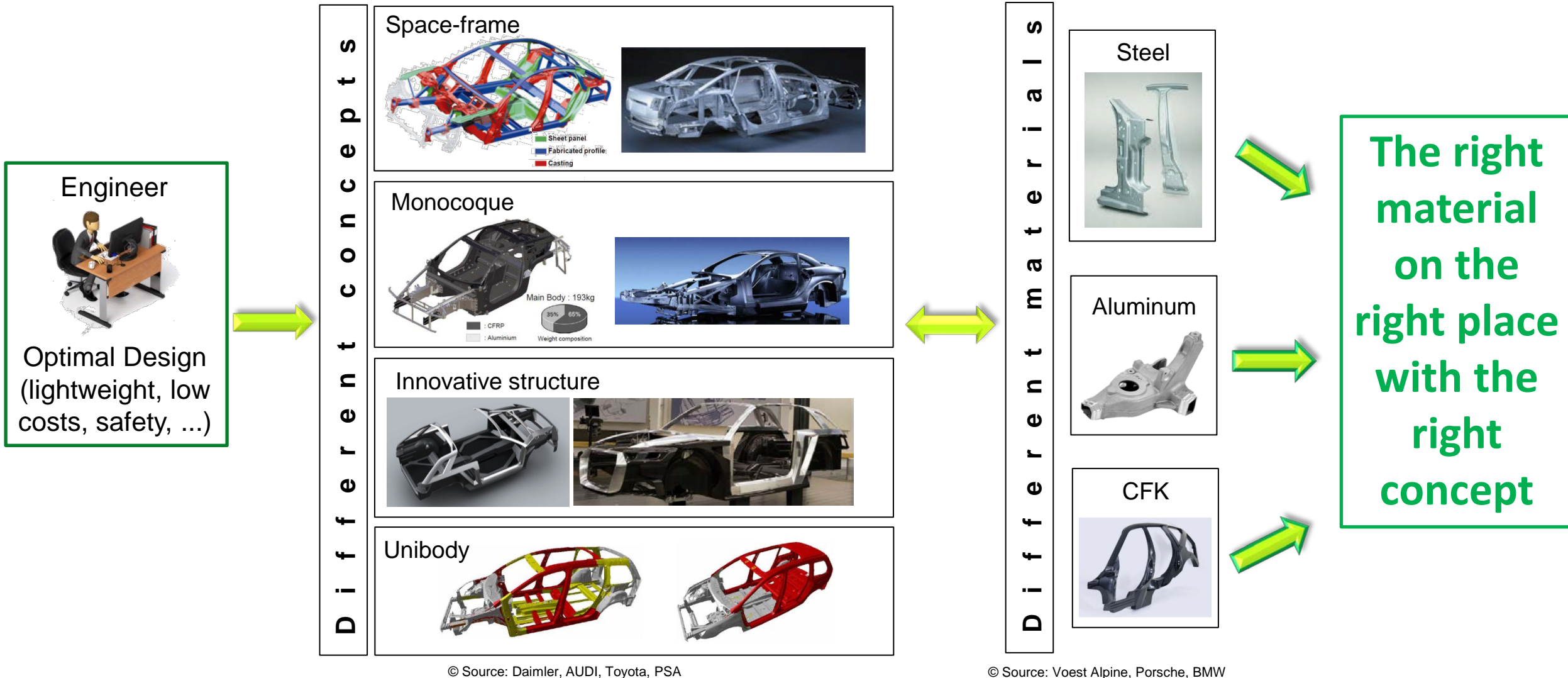
- Comfort
- Safety
- Quality
- Regulations
- Interior
- Equipment

- Multi Material Mix
- New Materials
- Functional integration
- Component integration
- Cost and Weight Reduction

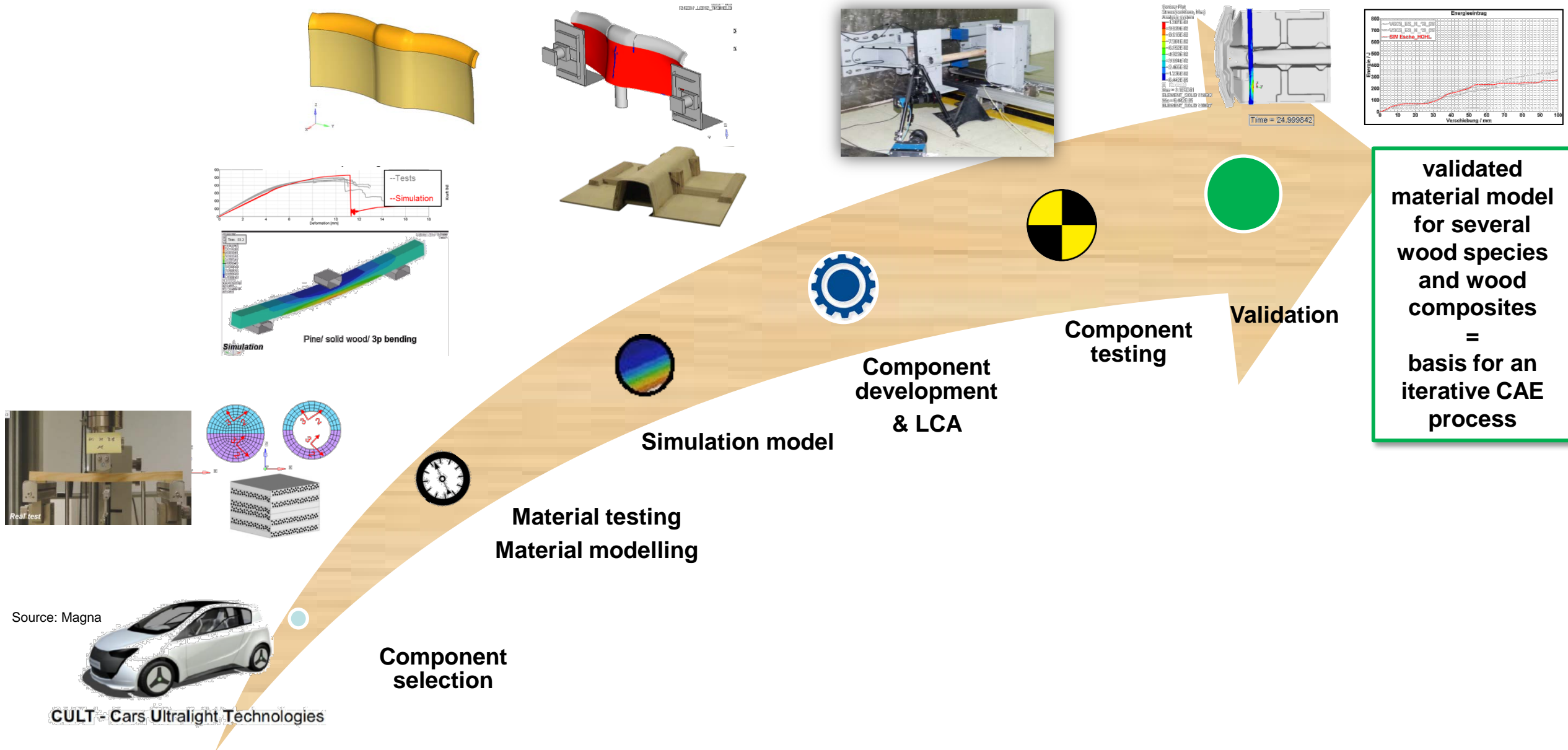


Motivation – Potential for New Wood-based Material Approach

Multi-material mix for components and constructions



Development of a FE model for new Materials



Main tasks - technical part of the project

material properties

selection FE model

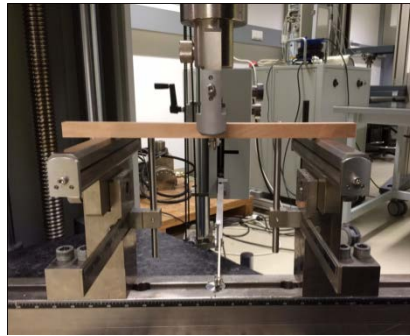
Static loads simulation vs testing

validation of the FE model

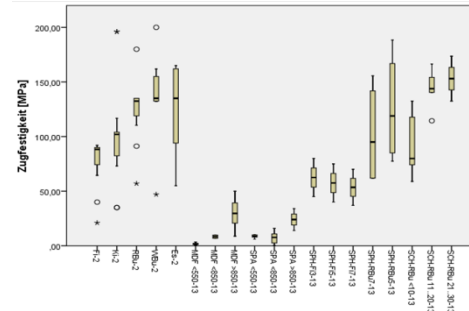
engineering of wood components

production of wood components

material and crash tests



Material testing (N>500)



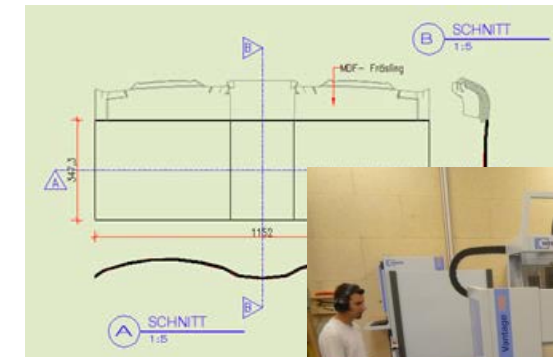
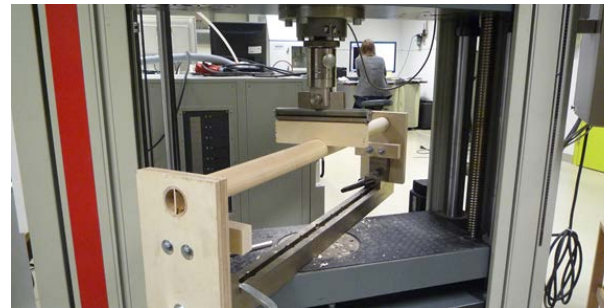
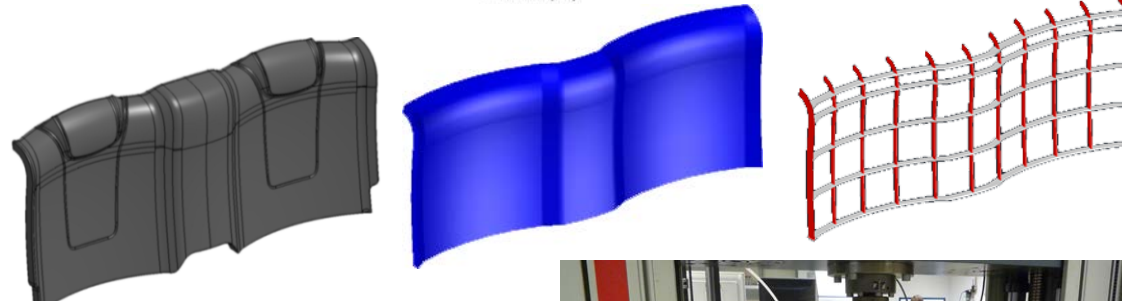
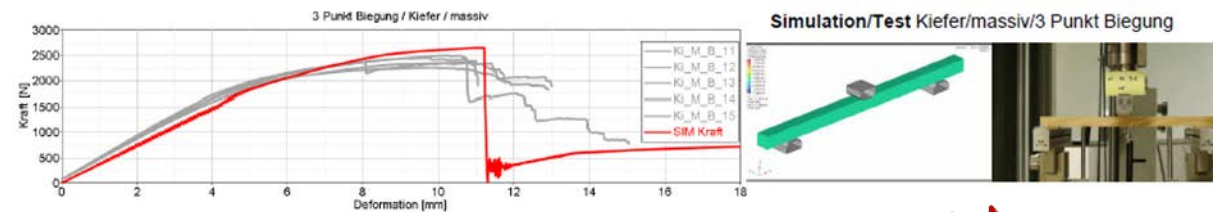
Analysing test results



Literature research

- $\sigma_z, \sigma_D, \sigma_B$
- ρ_0
- MOE
- T
- $G_{12, 23, 31}$
- Poisson's ratio
- elongation
- strain rate

Data base



Development of the material model

Material cards (literature and test values)

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*MAT_ENHANCED_COMPOSITE_DAMAGE
$ *MAT_054
$*****
$      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8
$      MID    DO    EA    EB    (EC)    PRBA    (PRCA)    (PRCB)
$      54      0.71E-9    GCA    (KF)    AOPT    PRBA    (PRCA)    (PRCB)
$      GAB
$
$      V1      V2      V3      A1      A2      A3      HANGLE
$      D1      D2      D3      DFAILM    DFAILC    DFAILS
$      TFAIL    ALPH    SOFT    FBRT    YCFAC    DFAILT    DFAILC    EFS
$      XC      XT      VC      VT      SC      CRIT    BETA
$*****
    
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High number of characteristic values (N=600) and parameters and specific adaption of an existing material model necessary to simulate wood properly

simulation of the material tests of solid wood for the validation of the material cards (Model)
→ Solid Models

simulation of the material tests of laminated wood and plywood for the validation of the material cards (Model)
→ Solid Models

ONE validated material card for each wood species and all wood composites (solid / ply-/ laminated wood) and **ALL** models for solid and shell

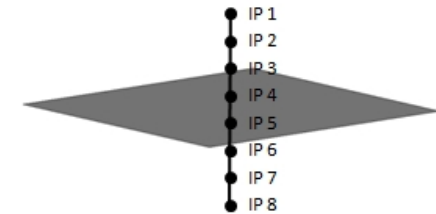
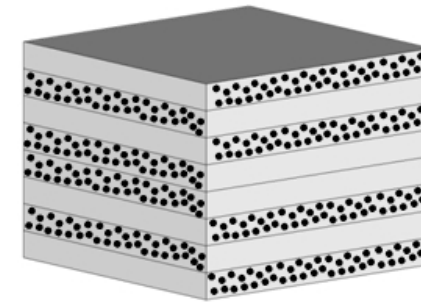
Data base

Material tests

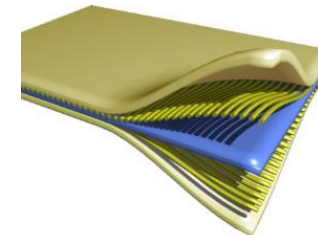
Material cards

Simulation

Validation



- modelling of shell structures (high relevance for crash simulation)
- material properties were assigned to different layers and plies
- virtual assembling of wood layers and plies



Knowledge based and tailor made wood composites

Selection of three components based on CULT



Bodenplatte
2D-Flächenelement



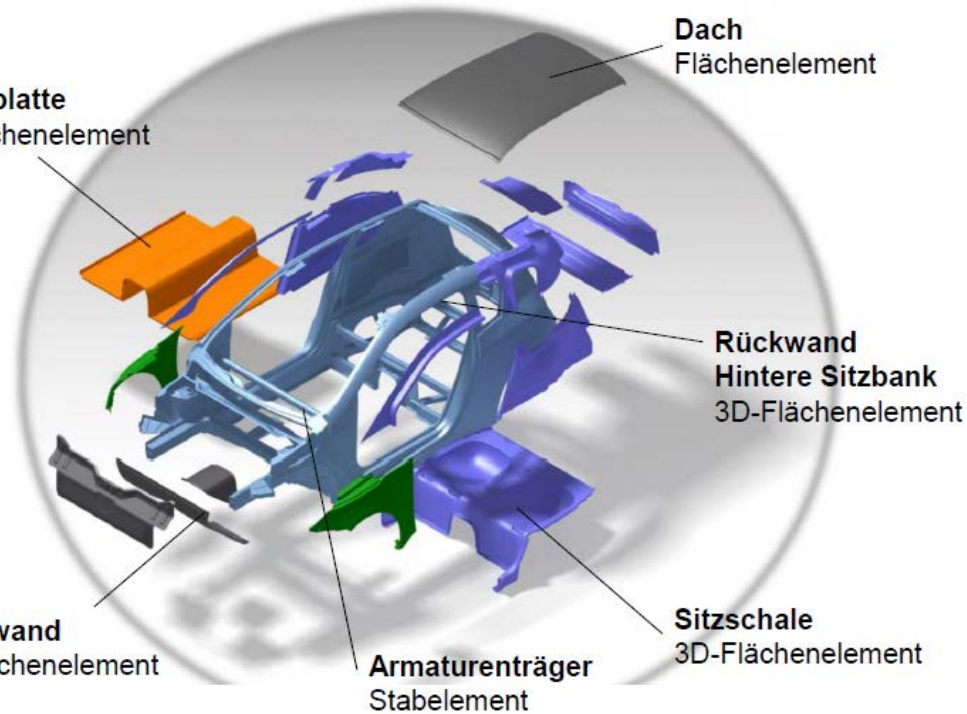
Subfloor

6 CULT components
+ 6 simplified components



CULT – Cars Ultralight Technologies

Source: Magna



Dach
Flächenelement

Rückwand
Hintere Sitzbank
3D-Flächenelement

Sitzschale
3D-Flächenelement

Armaturenträger
Stabelement

Trennwand
2D-Flächenelement



Rear panel

6 CULT components
+ 9 simplified components



Instrument carrier

60 CULT components

Crash tests performed

Crash tests @ VSI TU Graz

Impactor: 30kg

Impact speed: 9m/s ; ~32km/h

Kinetic energy : ~1200J

- 2 high precision 500 kN load cells
- Acceleration sensor
- 3 high speed cameras



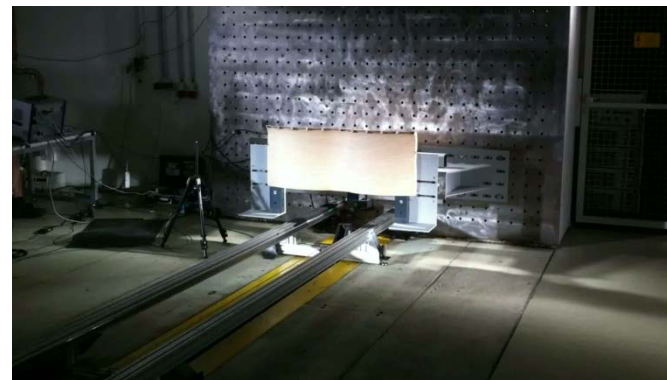
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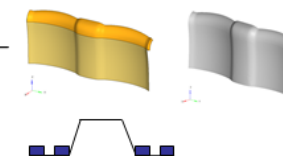
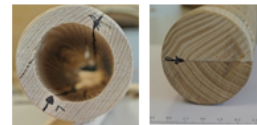
Rear panel



Subfloor



Test-ablauf	Benennung	Proben-bezeichnung
1	Schichtholz_Hohl (Birke)	Sch_H_07
2	Schichtholz_Hohl (Birke)	Sch_H_05
3	Schichtholz_Hohl (Birke)	Sch_H_06
4	Schichtholz_Hohl (Birke)	Sch_H_08
5	Esche_Hohl	ES_H_10_05
6	Esche_Hohl	ES_H_10_06
7	Esche_Vollholz	ES_V_05
8	Esche_Vollholz	ES_V_06
9	Prinzipbauteil_Unterboden_Rahmenkonstruktion (Birkenplatten 3 Schicht, Rahmen Esche)	PU_R_01
10	Prinzipbauteil_Unterboden_Rahmenkonstruktion	PU_R_02
11	Unterboden_Prinzipbauteil_Schichtholz_Aluschicht	UP_Sch_01
12	Unterboden_Prinzipbauteil_Schichtholz_Aluschicht	UP_Sch_02
13	Rückenlehne_Prinzipbauteil_Schichtholz	RP_Sch_01
14	Rückenlehne_Prinzipbauteil_Schichtholz	RP_Sch_02
15	Lehnen_Rippe_Prinzipbauteil (Rahmen dünn Esche)	LRP_01
16	Lehnen_Rippe_Prinzipbauteil (Rahmen dünn Esche)	LRP_02
17	Lehnen_Rippe_Prinzipbauteil (Rahmen dick Kiefer)	LRP_K_01
18	Lehnen_Rippe_Prinzipbauteil (Rahmen dick Kiefer)	LRP_K_01
19	Lehne_MDF	MDF_01
20	Realbauteil_Rippe	RR_01
21	Realbauteil_Rippe	RR_02
22	Lehne_MDF	MDF_02
-	Unterboden Realbauteil	nicht getestet



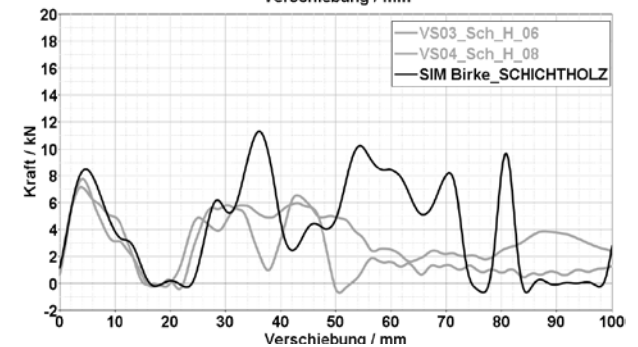
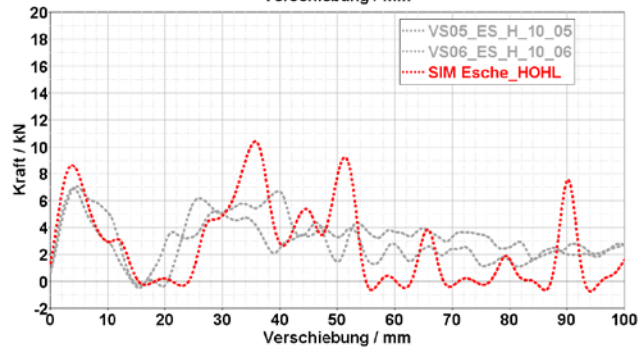
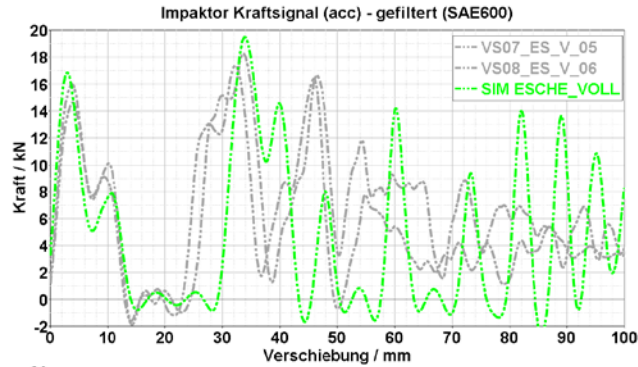
Validation - instrument panel carrier

-- tests

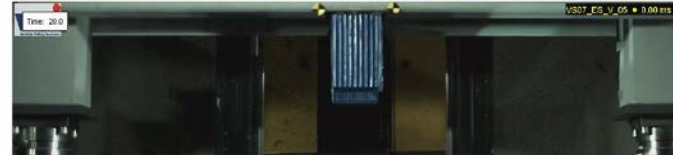
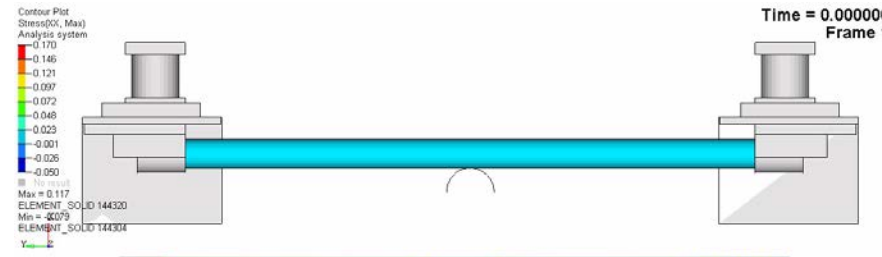
-- ash solid wood, rod

-- ash solid wood, tube

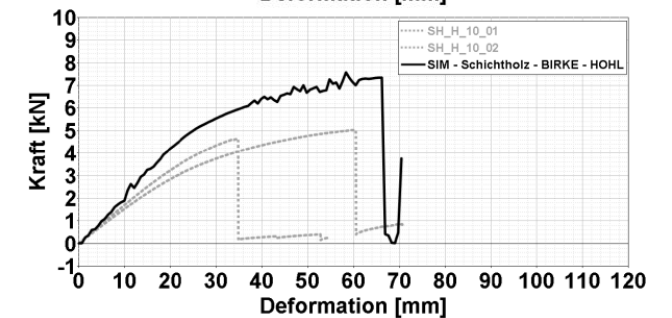
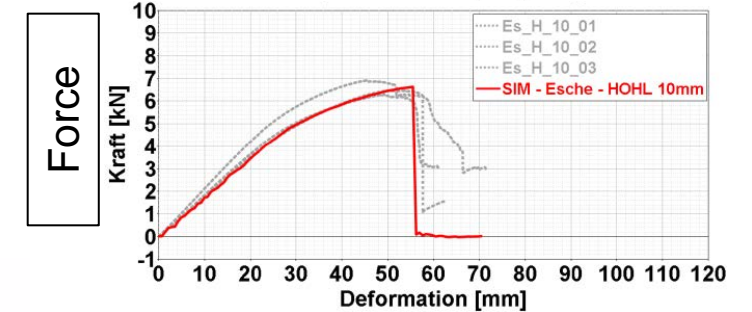
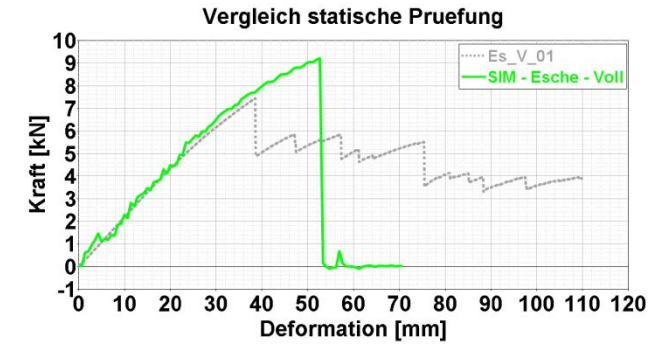
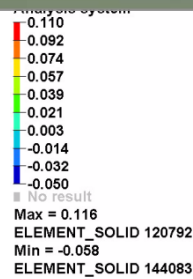
-- birch laminate tube



Displacement



**Simulation –
sound prediction**

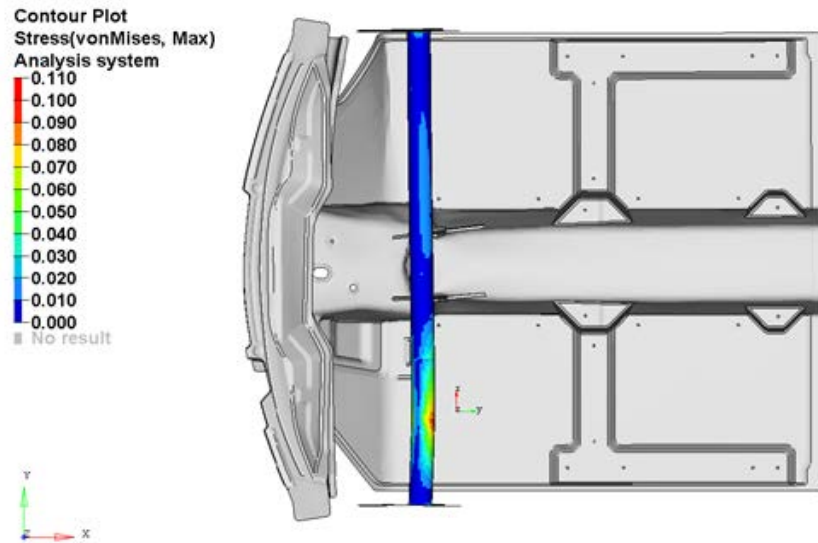


Displacement

Virtual Crash Tests of Wood Components

Simulation and demonstration within full vehicle simulation model

- Crashtest with 50 km/h against rigid wall
- LS Dyna full vehicle simulation model with ~ 2 Mio elements



Conclusio

- Applicable within full vehicle simulation
- Same simulation runtime
- Evaluation of component loads possible
- Design iteration within CAE process feasible

Costs and Weight backrest – wood vs CULT

CULT

Cimira – backrest

weight ~8 kg

Price ~ 98 €

Invest: ~ 0.5 Mio. €

Wood-components

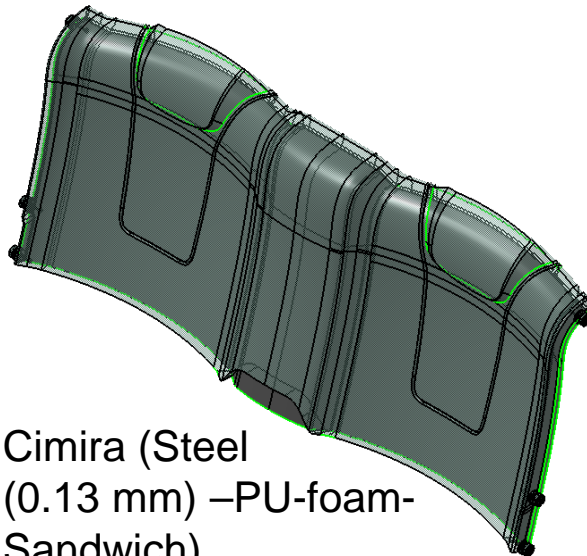
Laminated wood (plywood plies) with MDF headpart

Ripped structure covered with 3D-Danzer veneer

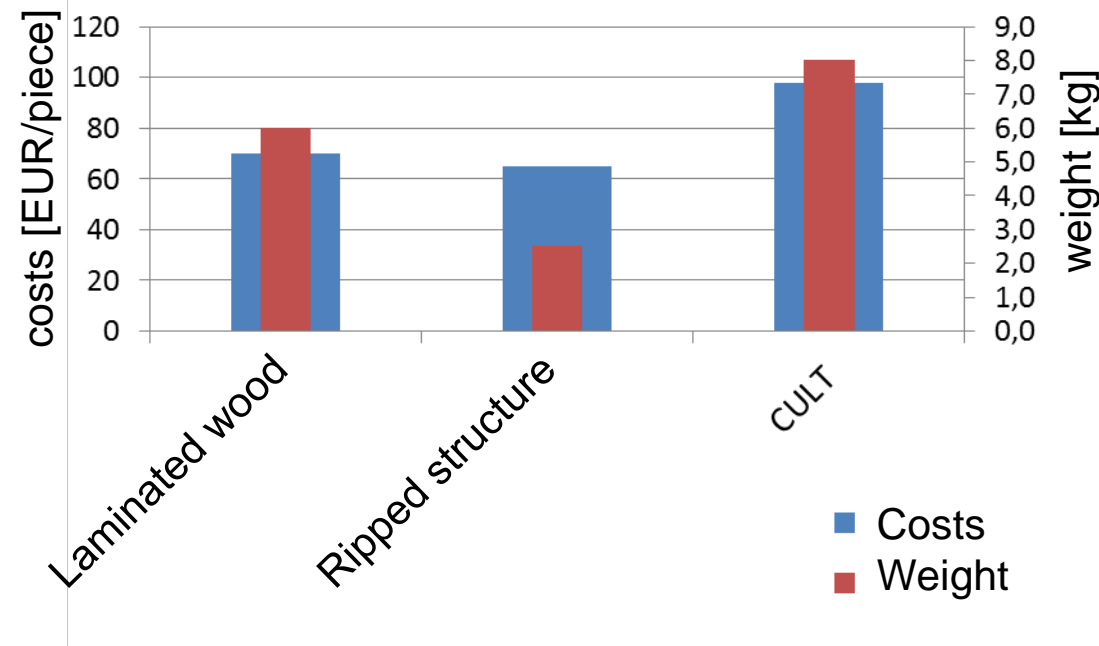
weight 2,5 and 6 kg, respectively

price ~ 70 €

Invest: ~ 70.000 €



Cimira (Steel
(0.13 mm) –PU-foam-
Sandwich)



Costs and Weight subfloor – wood vs CULT

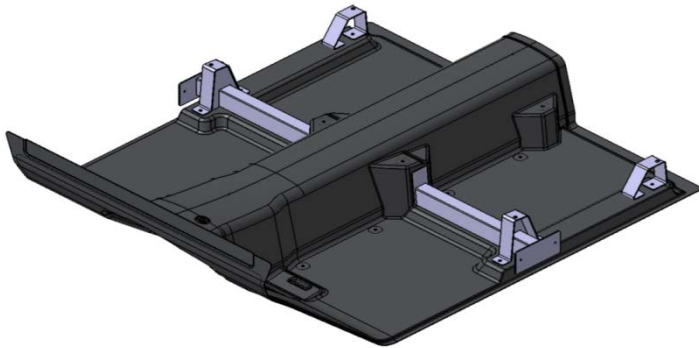
CULT

Alu-version

Weight ~ 30 kg

price ~ 130 €

Invest: ~ 1.4 Mio. €



Wood-components

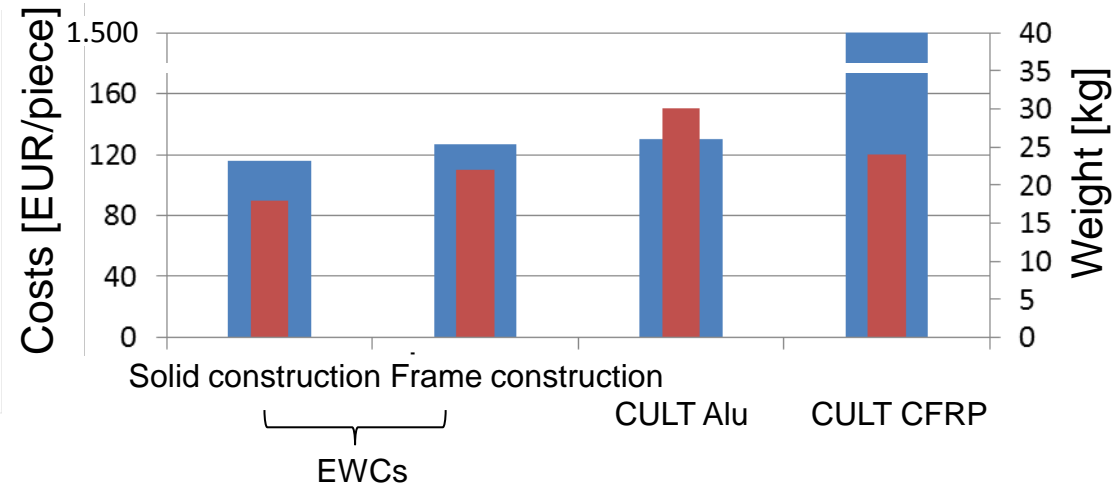
Subfloor: version 1: frame construction

version 2: laminated wood

Weight 18 to 22 kg

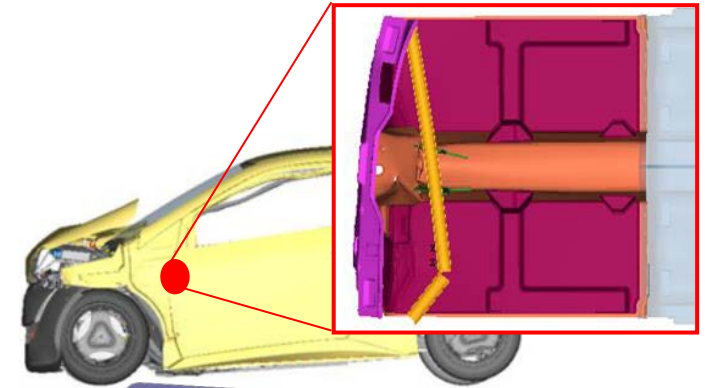
Price ~ 115 - 125 €

Invest: ~ 100.000 €

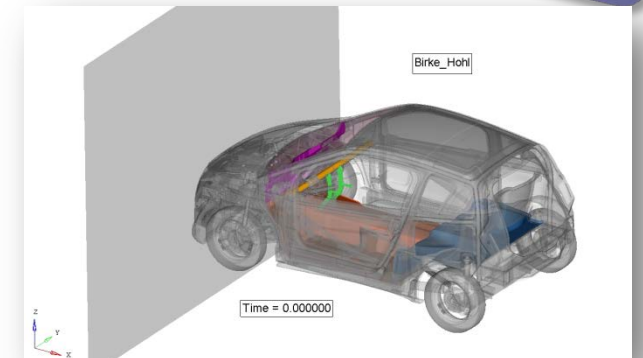


Summary of Results

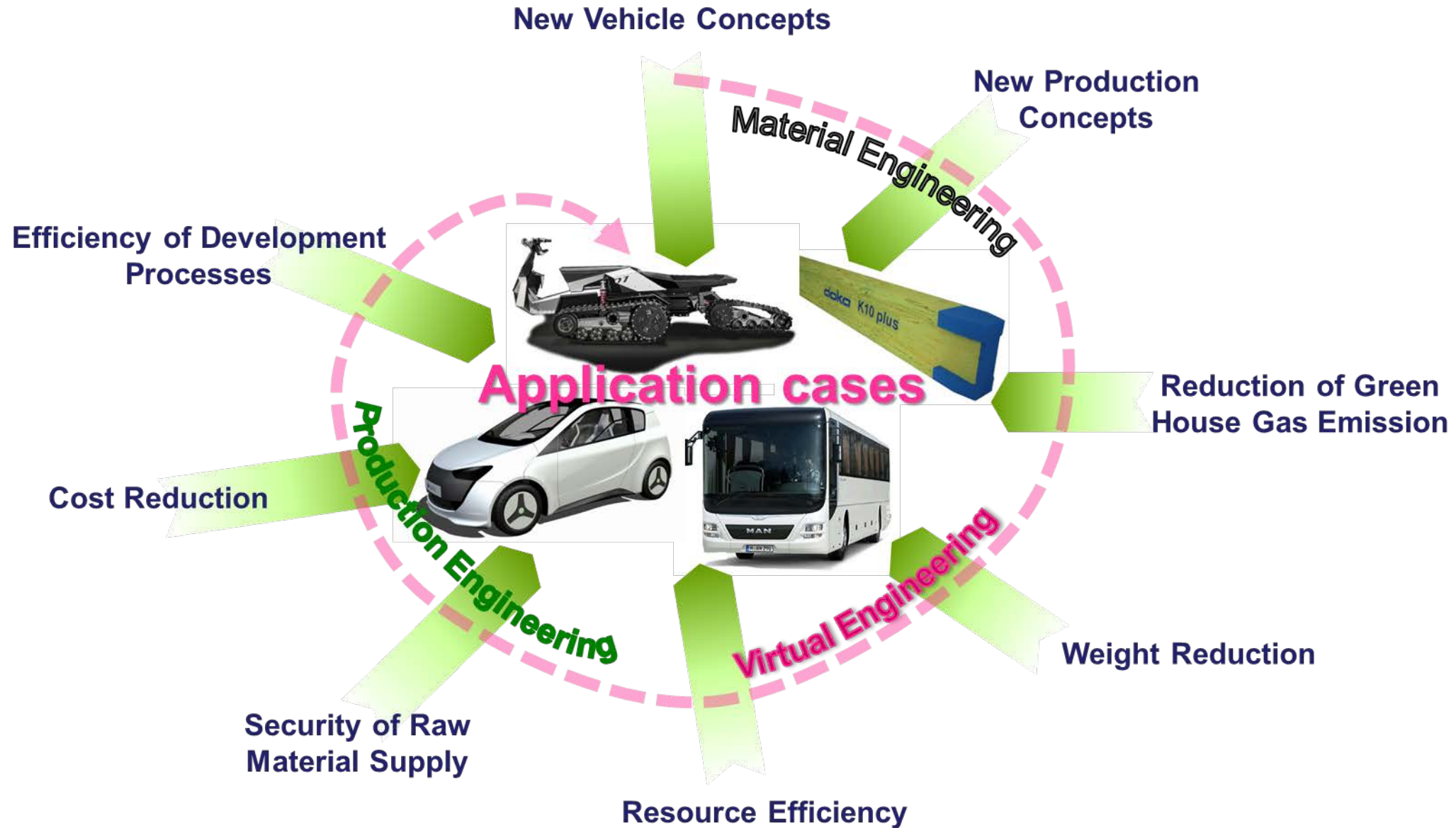
- Simulation of wood and wood based composite is possible!
- Economic and technical potential for further use of the derived results is given!
- Design and adaption of components related to wood and wood based composites and production technologies is the key challenge for technical product implementation
- Basis for further research activities and discussions with OEMs / IPs is made
- Realistic time line for implementation of wood technology to automotive application → 2025 → scenarios for early use beside automotive sector are derived
- Project proposal including all relevant technical, economic and ecologic questions and potential for real implementation was submitted (2017 – 2020)



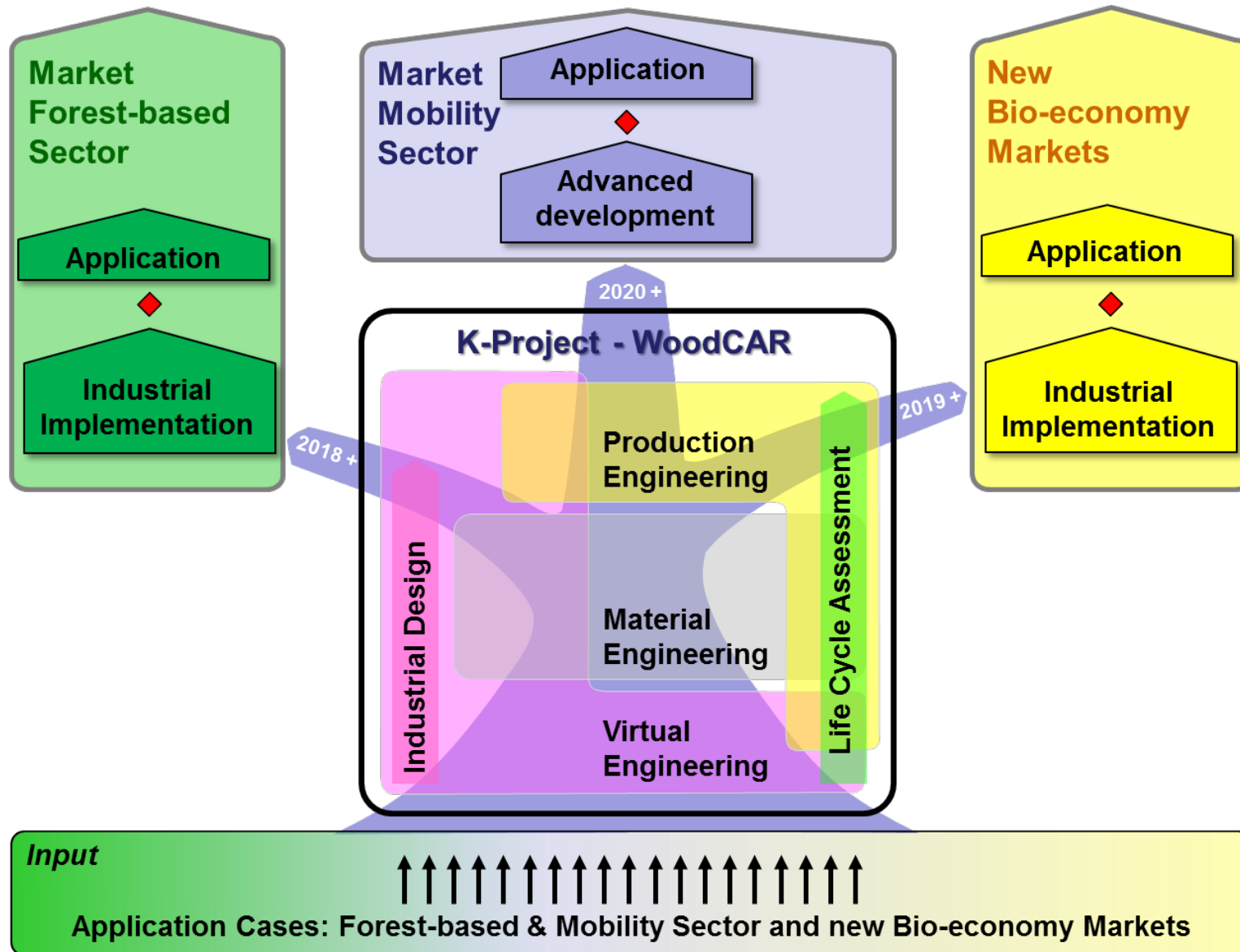
Assessment of failure behaviour within full vehicle crash based on derived results is possible!



Future Challenges & Boundary Conditions



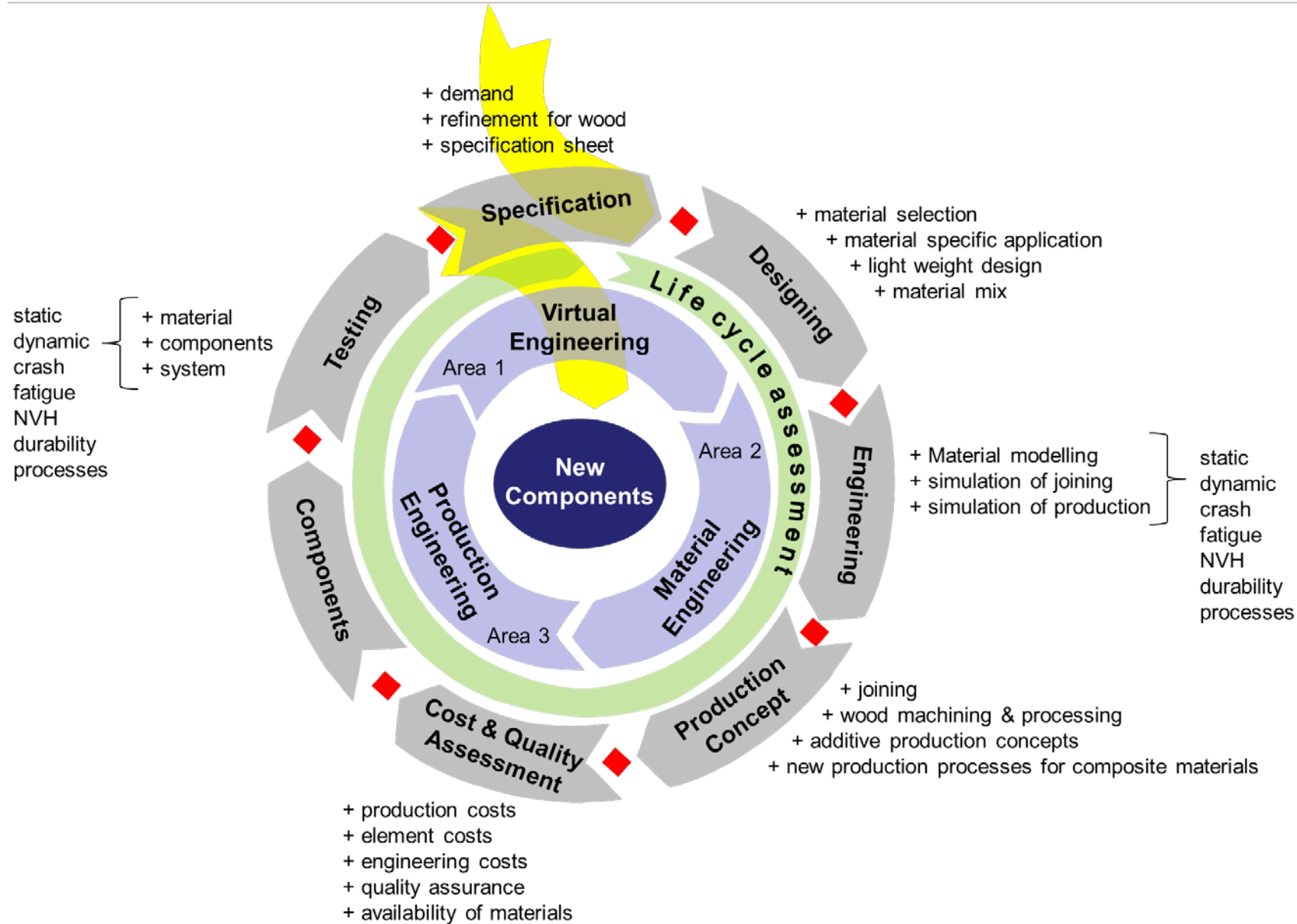
Exploitation Strategy – WoodCAR



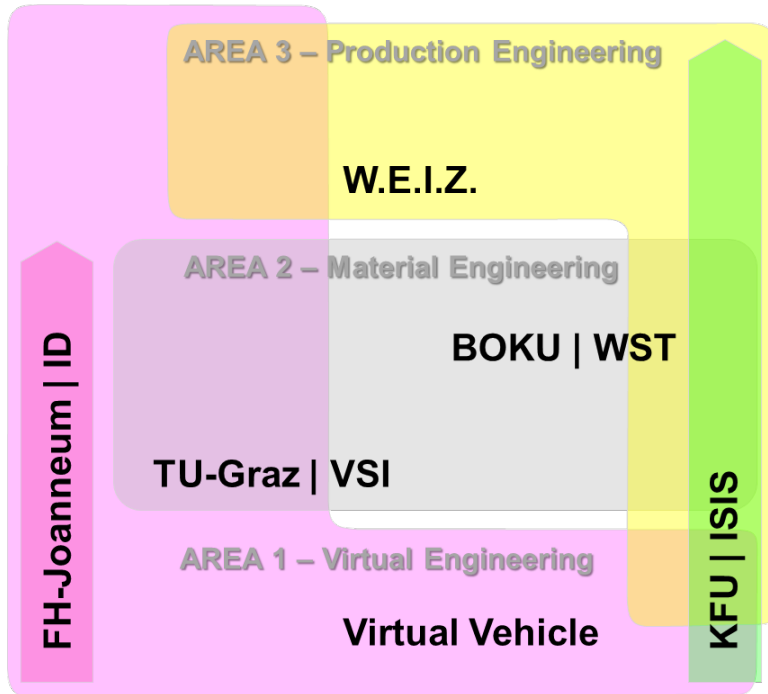
Staggered use of the derived know-how:

- Main business forest based industry 2018+
- New business bio-economy markets +2019
- Mobility sector +2020

Idea and Implementation of the WoodCAR Project



Why was an wood based research initiative started in Austria?



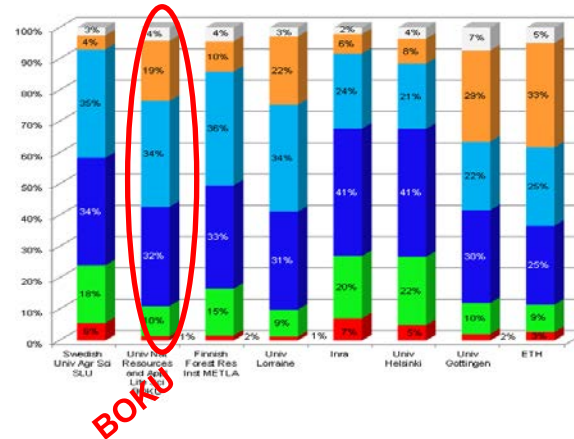
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