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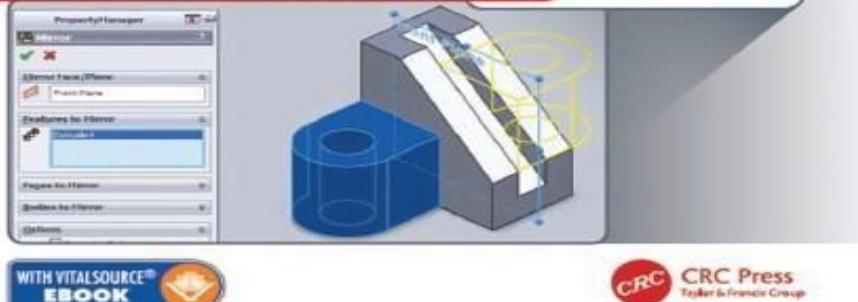
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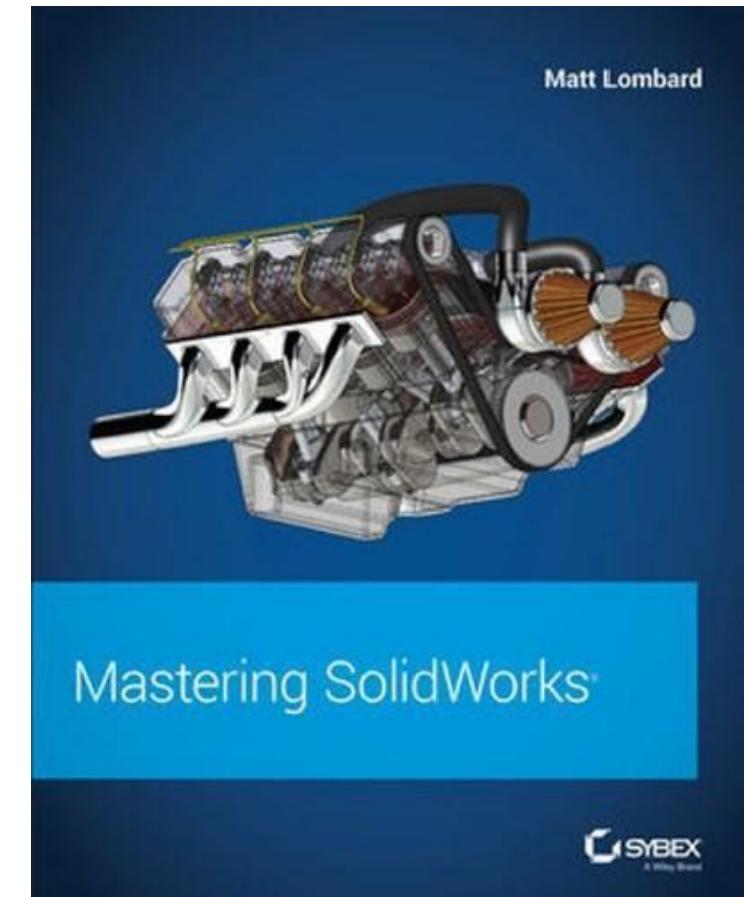
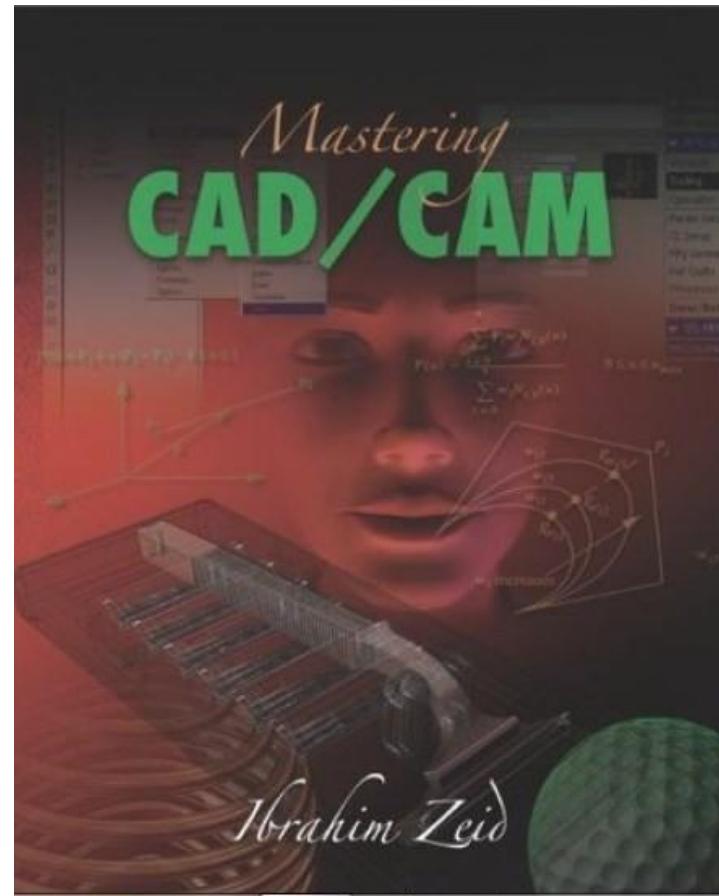
Introduction to **SOLIDWORKS**



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What is CAD?

Computer-aided design (CAD) is the use of computers to aid in the creation, modification, analysis, or optimization of the **design process**.

So, what does the design process consist of ?

Design Process

Recognition of need

Synthesis

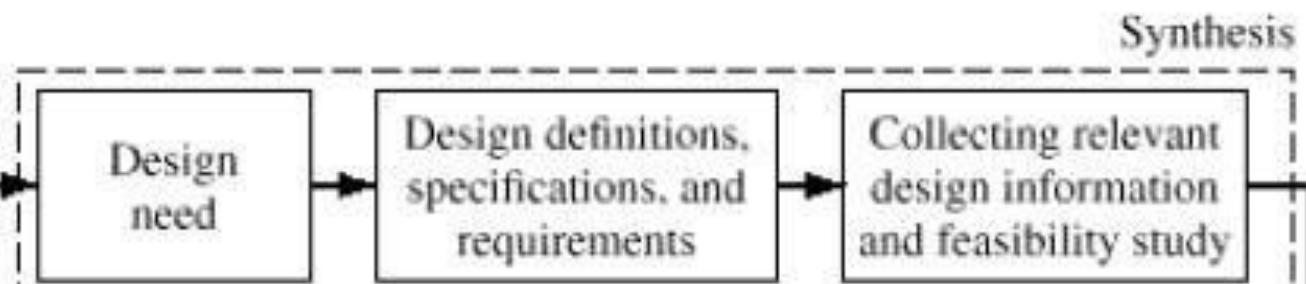
Evaluation

**Definition of
problem**

**Analysis and
optimization**

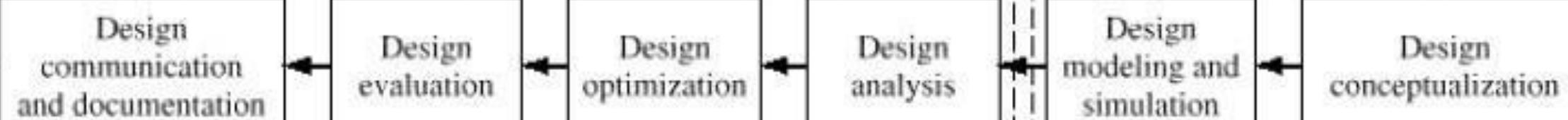
Documentation

The design process



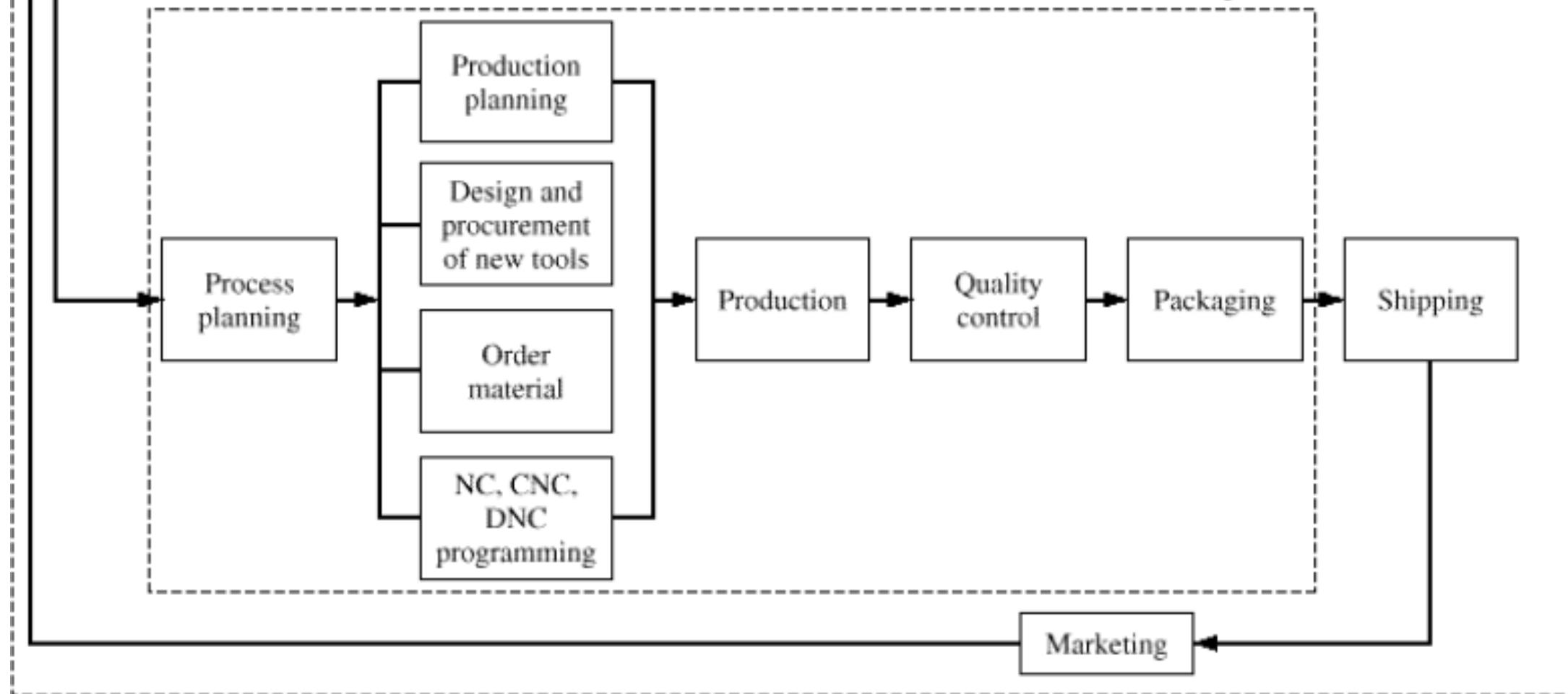
Analysis

The CAD process

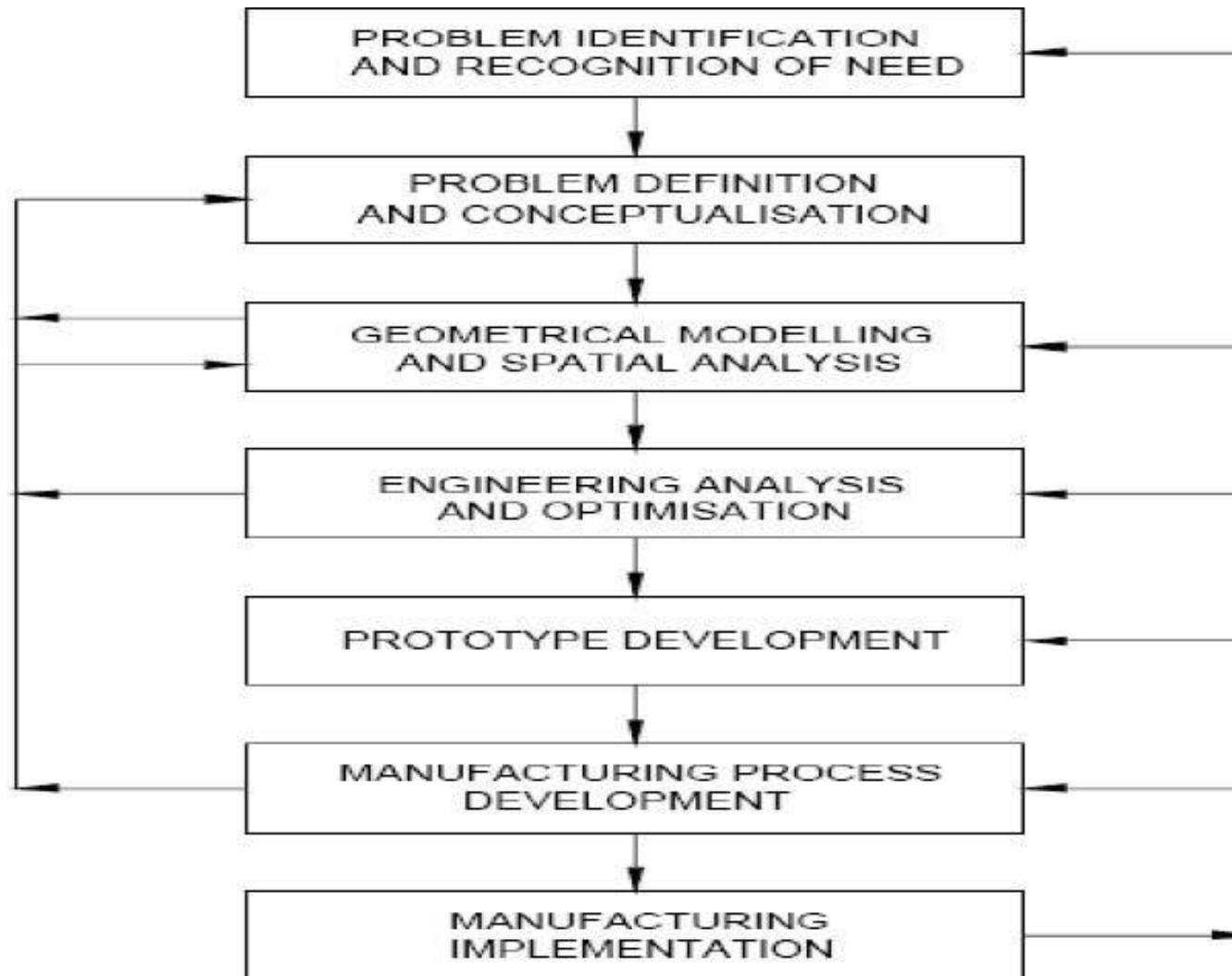


The manufacturing process

The CAM process



Design process as an iterative approach (Shigley)



Some benefits of using CAD systems:

- **To increase the productivity of the designer.**
- **To improve the quality of design.**
- **To improve communications**
- **To create a database for manufacturing,**

Geometric modeling: [Wiki]

is a branch of applied mathematics and computational geometry that studies methods and algorithms for the mathematical description of shapes, and can be divided into:

1. 2D geometrical modeling. (e. g. [technical drawing](#))
2. 3D geometrical modeling is central to computer-aided design and manufacturing (CAD/CAM), and widely used in many applied technical fields such as civil and mechanical engineering, and medical image processing!

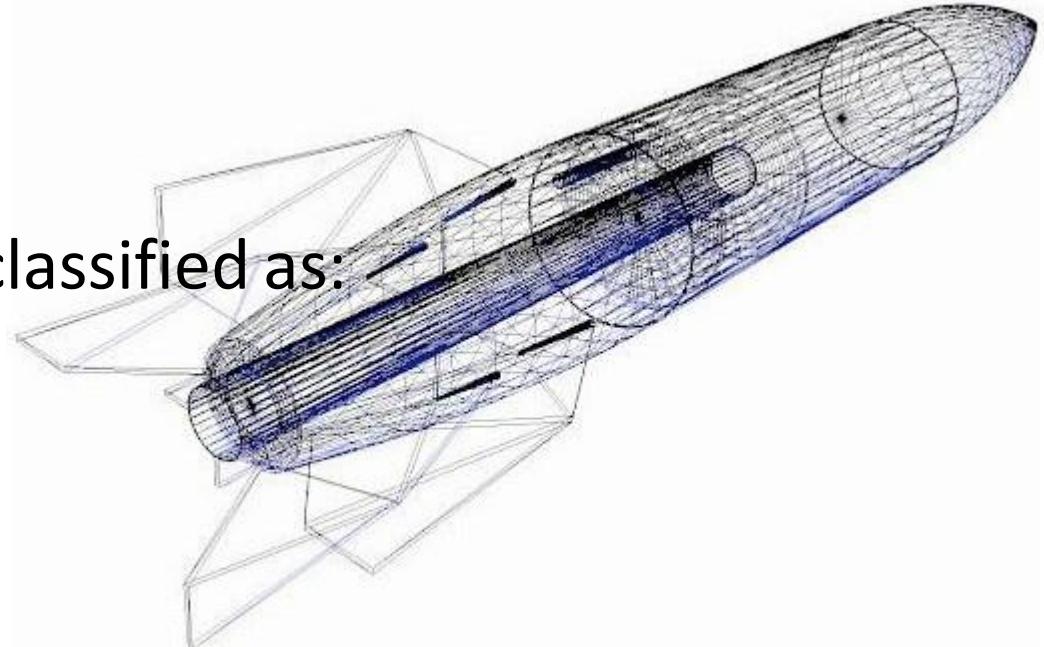
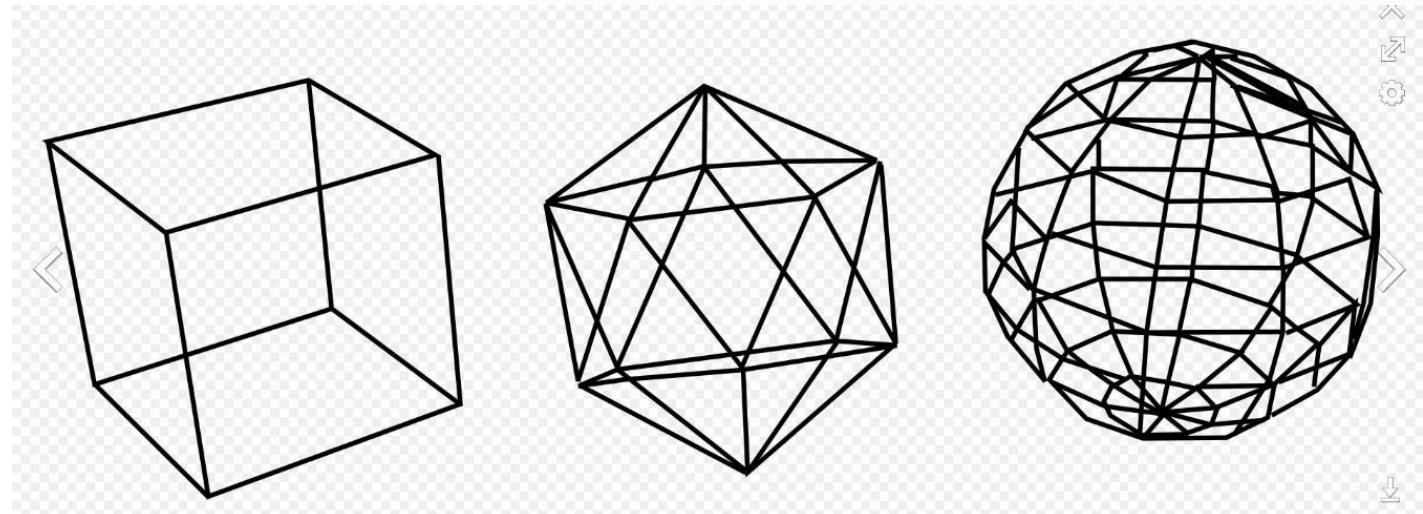
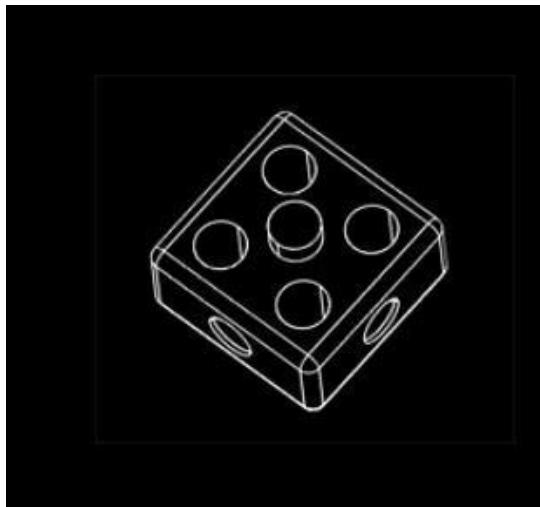
Wireframes:

[Wiki – SW site]

This type of geometrical modeling can be classified as:

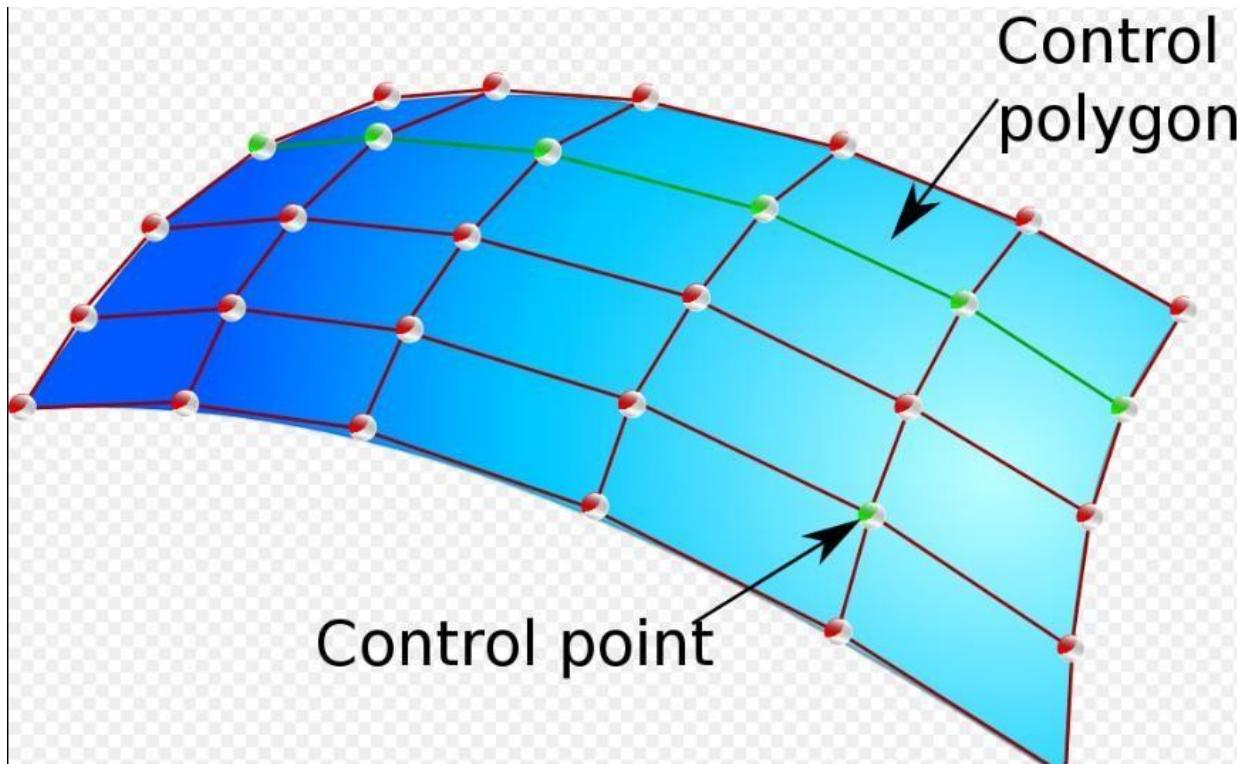
- 2D geometrical modeling
- 3D geometrical modeling

Benefits?



Surface Modeling:

Surface modeling gives you the ability to build out a visual representation of an object's exterior and its contours. In other words, it's a surface! [\[wiki\]](#)



Solid Modeling:

- A mathematical technique for representing solid objects. Unlike wireframe and surface modeling, solid modeling systems ensure that all surfaces meet properly and that the object is geometrically correct. Solid modeling is the most complicated of the CAD technologies, because it simulates an object internally and externally.

[PC Mag. Youtube]

