Creo™ Elements/Direct™ Sheet Metal Productivity Package

ACCELERATE SHEET METAL DESIGN USING THE LEADING DIRECT 3D CAD SYSTEM, PLUS SHEET METAL TOOLS, WITH FULL DATA MANAGEMENT

The Creo Elements/Direct Sheet Metal Productivity Package is a complete set of direct 3D design modules—packaged specifically for sheet metal designers, enabling you to create highly precise sheet metal designs, while carefully managing all product development data. By leveraging the strengths of Creo Elements/Direct Modeling—the world’s #1 direct 3D CAD system—you have the power to get products to market faster, reduce ECO frequencies and lead times, improve team collaboration and, ultimately, decrease development costs.

Package includes the following Creo Elements/Direct modules:

- Creo Elements/Direct Modeling
- Creo Elements/Direct Sheet Metal
- Creo Elements/Direct Model Manager™

Key benefits

- Avoid the trial-and-error associated with traditional 2D sheet metal design and manufacturing. Instead, use 3D CAD to see and analyze the complicated physical behaviors and material deformations from manufacturing processes. Thus, your first prototype is often your only prototype.
- Expand your design options to include the custom tooling available within your supply chain by incorporating your suppliers’ custom sheet metal manufacturing capabilities into your 3D CAD process.
- Calculate manufacturing costs in just minutes, either to provide fast and accurate bids for sheet metal projects to customers, or to support cost/benefit analysis for sheet metal capital equipment purchases.
- Optimize product design by using industry-standard sheet metal tooling within the manufacturing process, while eliminating unnecessary, customized tooling costs.

Creo Elements/Direct Sheet Metal Productivity is packed with an extensive list of features. You can easily add even more capabilities with a complete set of add-on modules.
Drive major new initiatives

Reduce ECO frequency and lead times

Create digital prototypes for visualizing, validating and analyzing product designs under real-world conditions, so you can reduce errors in manufacturing and save time by building fewer physical prototypes.

Build robust and appealing products faster

Create complex industrial equipment quickly and easily by incorporating manufacturing processes, thus ensuring design for manufacturability (DFM). Avoid re-creating models by using standard, off-the-shelf parts and components to accurately create the bill-of-materials (BOM). Save time and manage build-to-order products with integrated data management.

Eliminate physical prototypes: Simulate real-world conditions on the desktop

Simulate real-world operating conditions virtually. Identify and reduce errors when designing for physical behaviors and material deformations of sheet metal components.

Streamline working with design and manufacturing partners

Promote the use of preferred and user-defined sheet metal manufacturing capabilities into your 3D CAD process, and expand your design options to include the custom tooling available within your supply chain. Leverage and reuse existing parts, assembly designs, and common library components to speed product development.

Minimize component and tooling costs

Generate sheet metal drawings of precise flat patterns containing the exact dimensions, tooling and process information needed to manufacture the parts.

Design products in a single, integrated environment

Design, validate, and simulate parts and assemblies, as well as moving mechanisms—all in 3D—using the same environment you use for mechanical design.

Integrated data management

Provide a real-time, seamless data management experience for the workgroup, using Creo Elements/Direct Modeling and Creo Elements/Direct Model Manager.

Capabilities and specifications

The Creo Elements/Direct Sheet Metal Productivity Package includes the following products and add-on modules:

- **Creo Elements/Direct Modeling**: the industry’s most popular direct 3D CAD system that provides a fast, lightweight and flexible approach to 3D design
- **Creo Elements/Direct Sheet Metal**: a precision sheet metal module that eliminates surprises in manufacturing by embedding sheet metal knowledge when designing parts with predefined bends, corner reliefs, and stamp & punch tools
- **Creo Elements/Direct Model Manager**: an integrated data management solution that helps you orchestrate product development efforts, and manages all 3D and 2D CAD design data associated with the product development process within a central database

**Creo Elements/Direct Modeling**

- Naturally create and interact with 3D geometry using familiar behaviors, such as cut & paste, copy & paste, and drag & drop techniques
- Create and modify 3D designs faster through direct, on-the-fly interactions with model geometry, enabling you to reach a given design solution as quickly as possible
- Effectively communicate your designs, using 3D-to-2D associative drawings, including shaded and rendered views
• Repurpose designs as if they were native design data, by importing IGES, STEP, ASIC SAT, and Printed Circuit Board IDF formats
• Render in real time as you design and create photo-realistic images for mockups, illustrations, or product walkthroughs
• Create product manufacturing information (PMI), such as 3D notes, geometric dimensions and tolerances (GD&T), symbols, and analysis results, to improve downstream communication
• Maintain legacy 2D drawings with Creo Elements/Direct Drafting™, a stand-alone 2D CAD system, for document control and engineering change orders (ECOs)

Creo Elements/Direct Sheet Metal
• Design ready-to-manufacture sheet metal parts in 3D
• Embed sheet metal knowledge and preferred materials, and leverage pre-defined punch & stamp tools
• Simulate folding and unfolding
• Generate associative 2D flat patterns for manufacturing drawings
• Perform cost estimation on sheet metal designs per manufacturing requirements

Creo Elements/Direct Model Manager
• Integrated data management for Creo Elements/Direct Modeling and Creo Elements/Direct Drafting design data and other integrated add-on modules
• Easy out-of-the-box installation
• Manage 3D-to-2D associative drawings
• Intuitive workspace, including convenient access to My Recent Items, Favorites, and Saved Searches
• Manual workflow, including ownership, revision, and state control
• Real-time status and notifications
• Improve large assembly performance through lightweight graphics and partial load capabilities

Language support
English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, and Spanish

Supported operating systems:
• Windows® 7 32-bit and 64-bit Editions of Ultimate, Enterprise, Business, and Home Premium
• Windows Vista® 32-bit and 64-bit Editions of Ultimate, Enterprise, Business, and Home Premium
• Windows XP 32-bit and 64-bit Editions of Home and Professional

For the most up-to-date platform support information, visit: PTC.com/partners/hardware/current/support.htm

For more information, visit: PTC.com/products/creo-elements-direct

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