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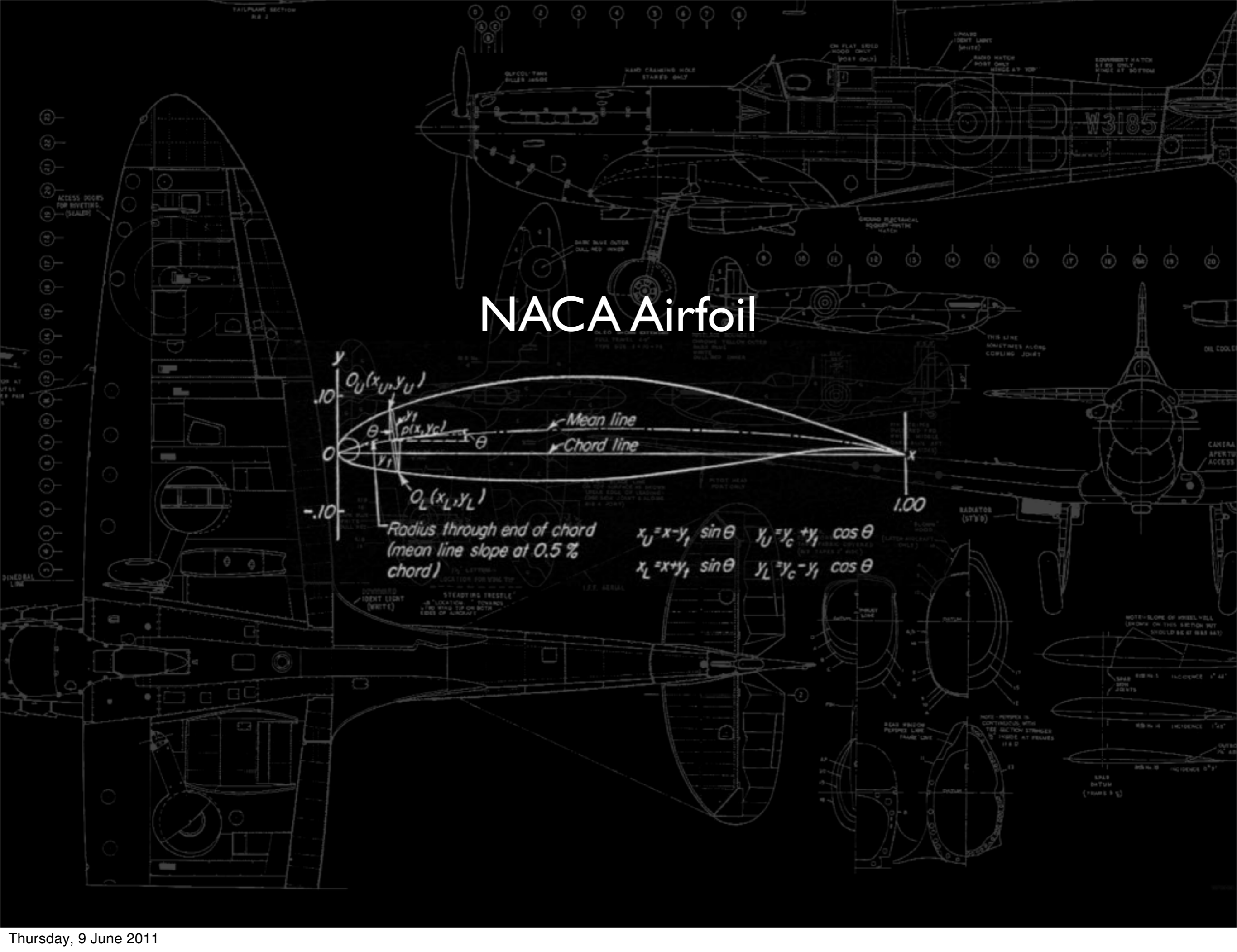
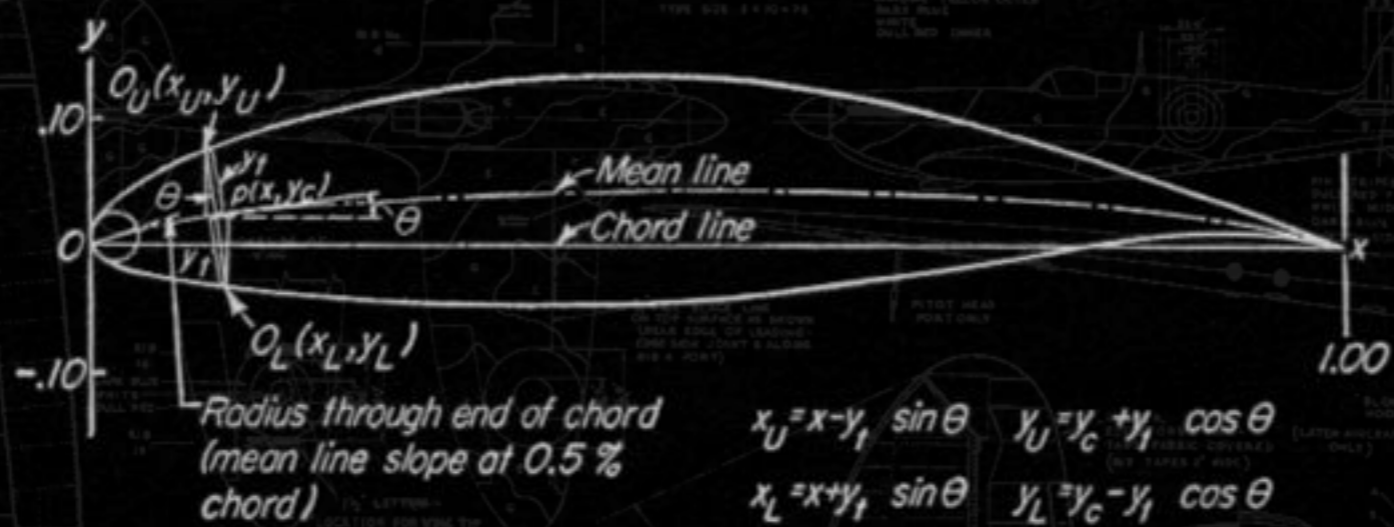
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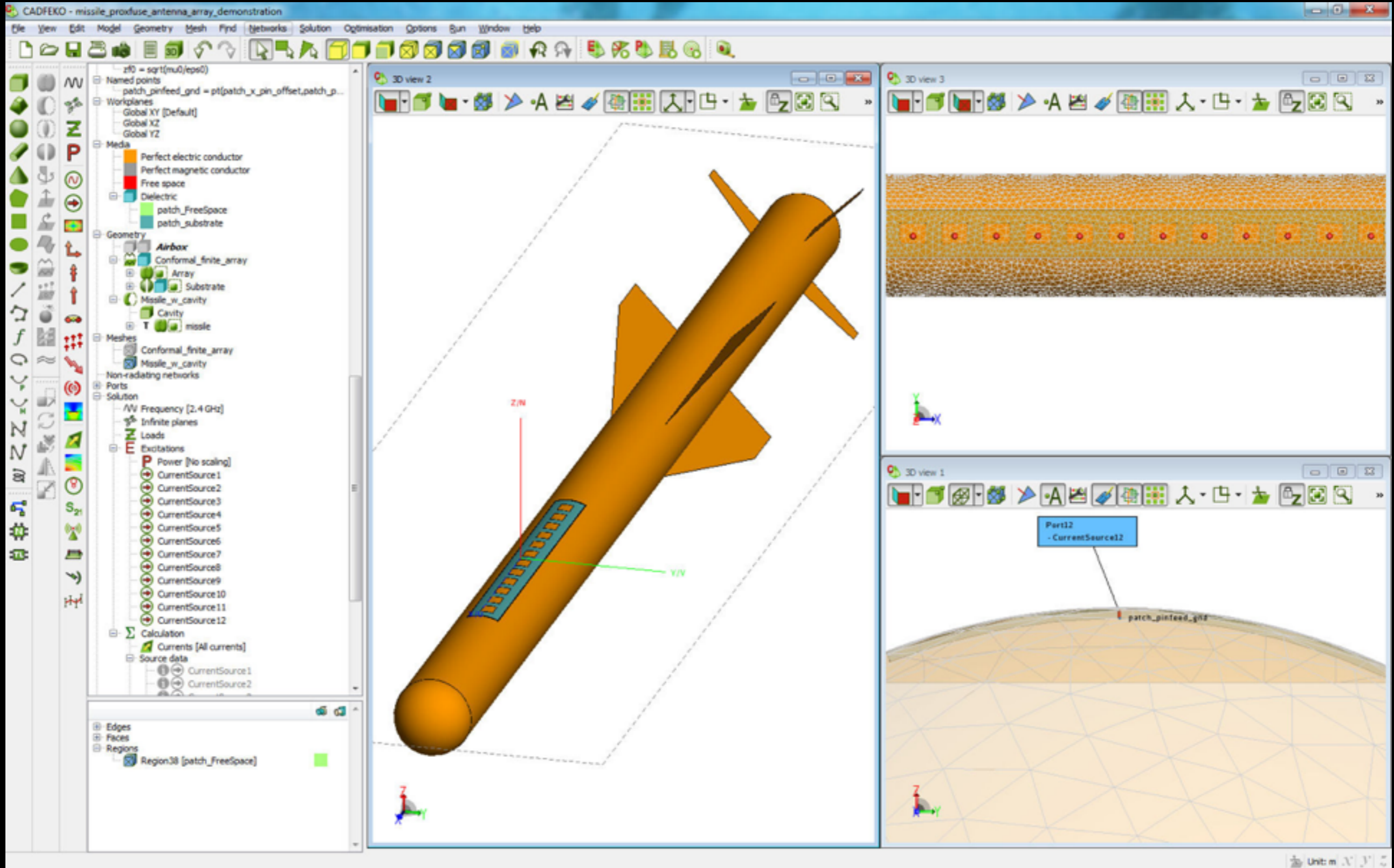
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Why?

# NACA Airfoil



# CADFEKO

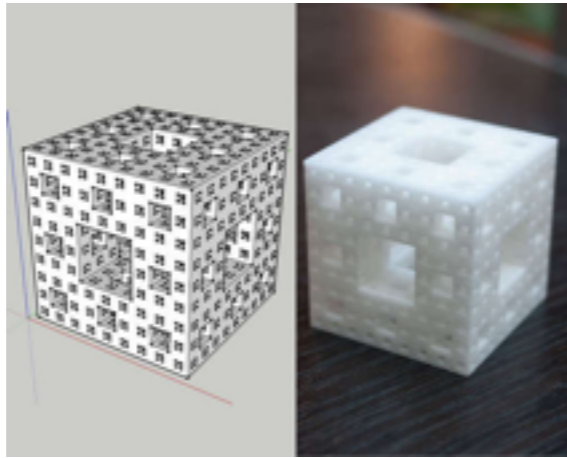


# Makerbot



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How do you build a [parametric] model?

# The traditional approach: Desktop 3D modelling

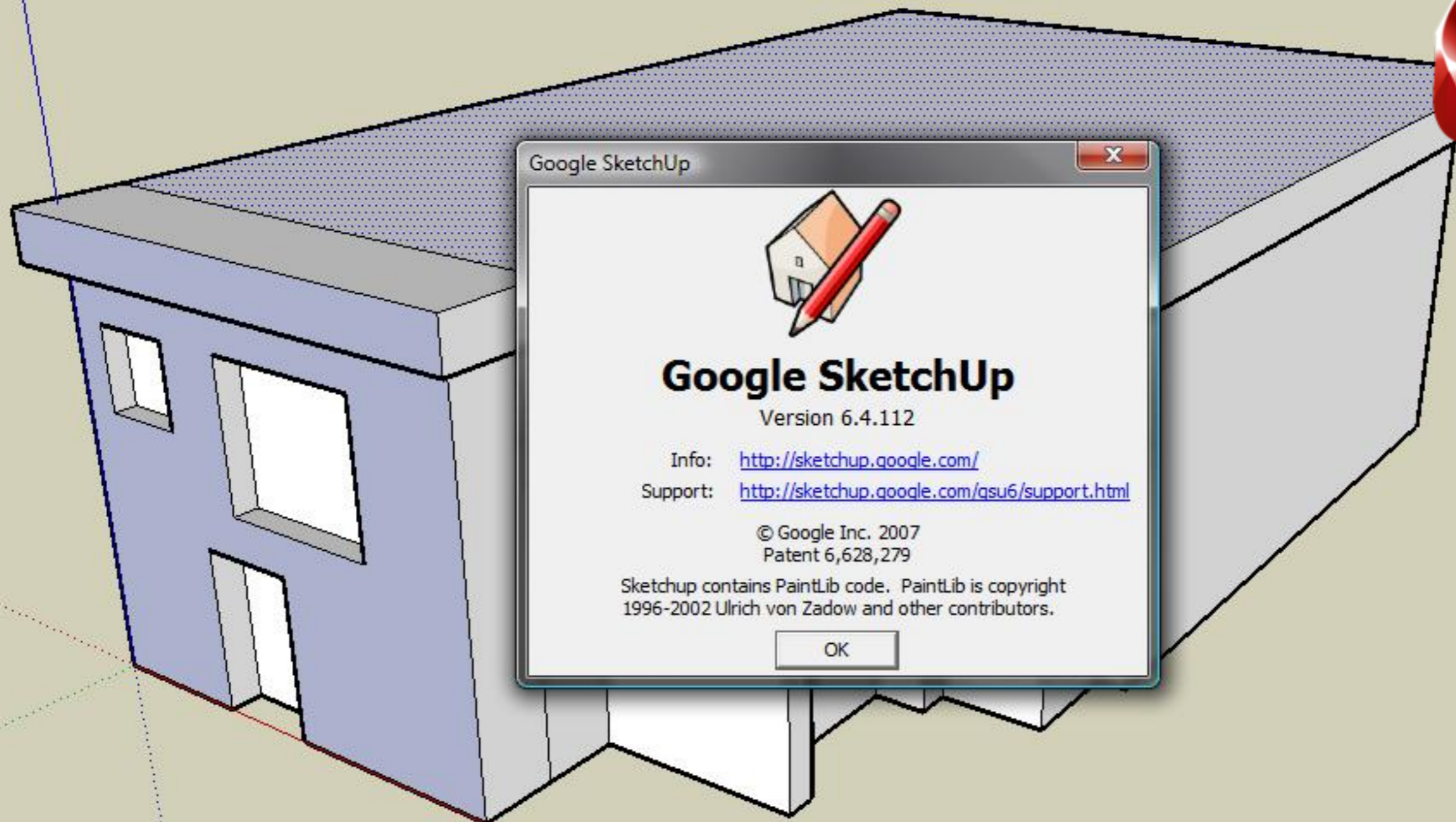


# AutoCAD



# Blender





Google SketchUp



**Google SketchUp**  
Version 6.4.112

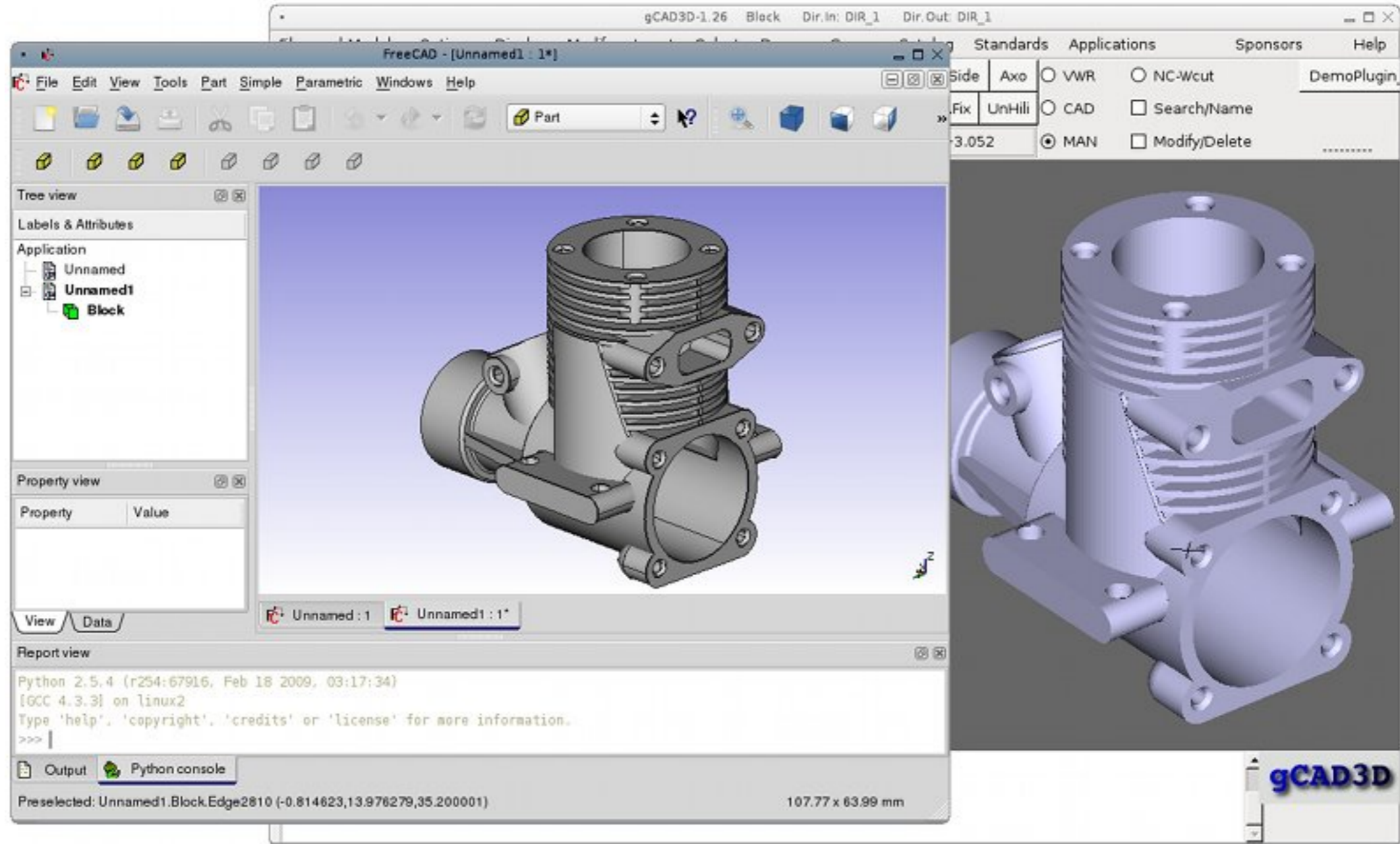
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# FreeCAD



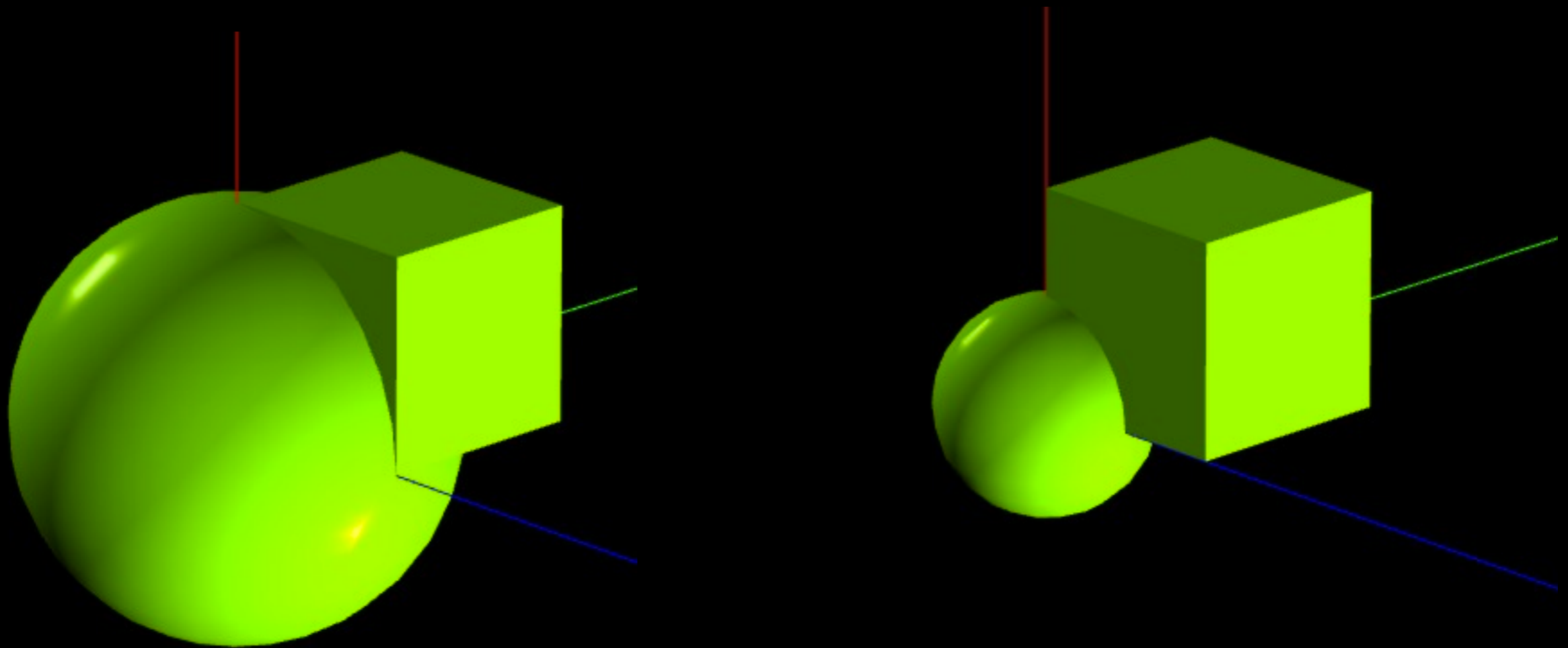
# Epiphany



# Browser 3D modelling

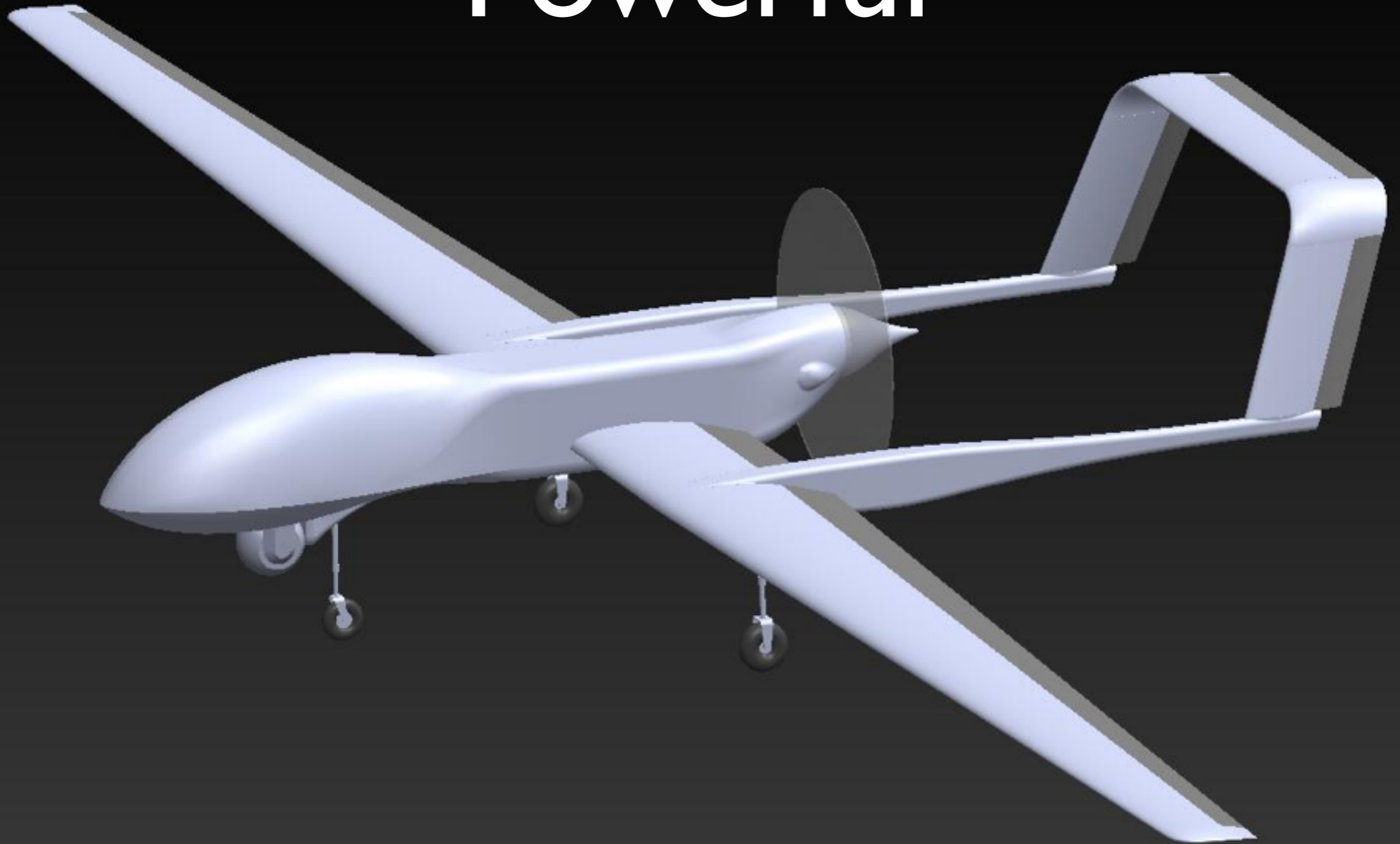
- Parameterised
- Powerful
- Accessible

# Parameterised





# Powerful



# Accessible

- It must run in Africa

# Shapemith

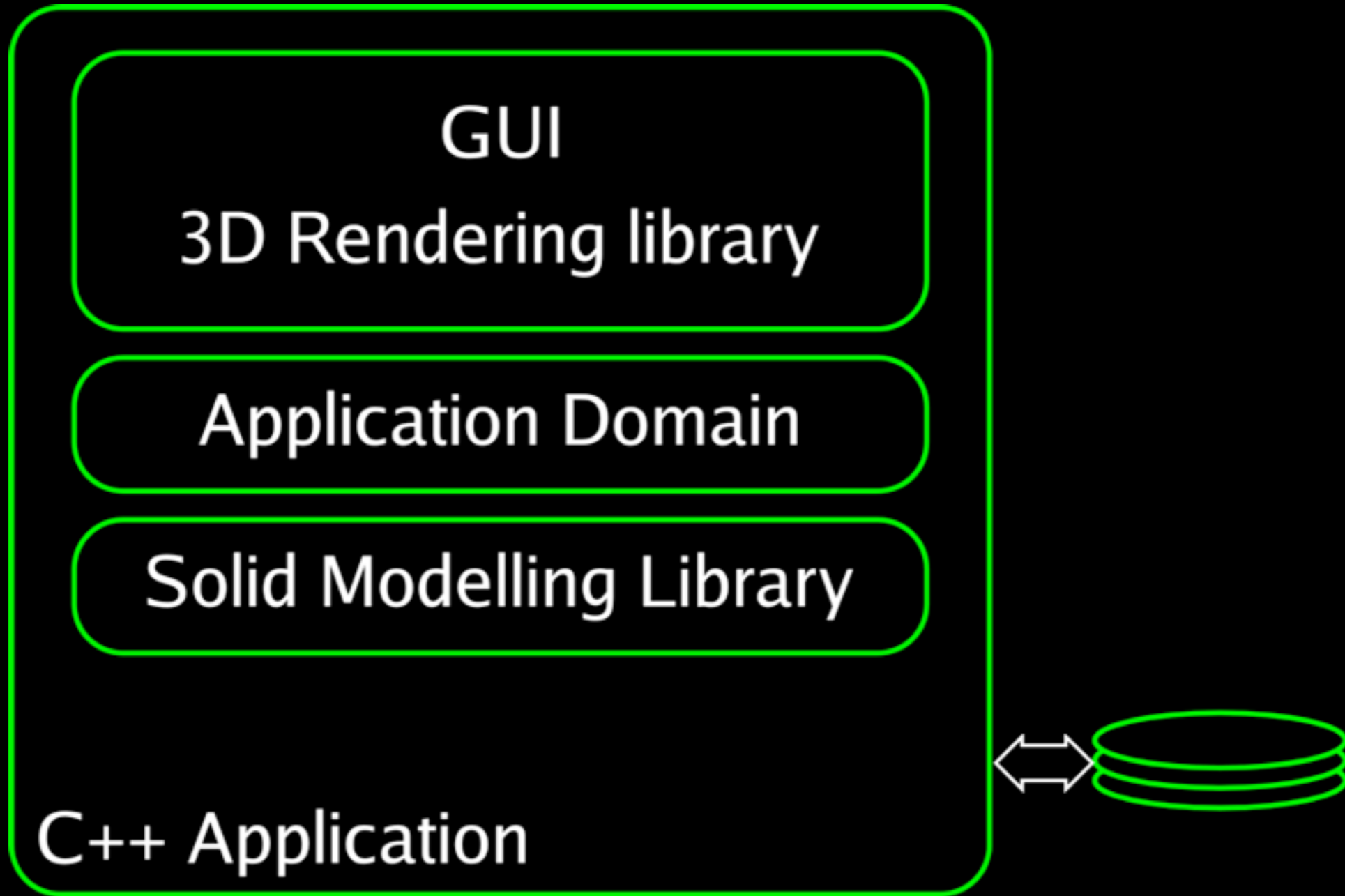


- ▶ subtract
- ▶ subtract
- ▶ cone

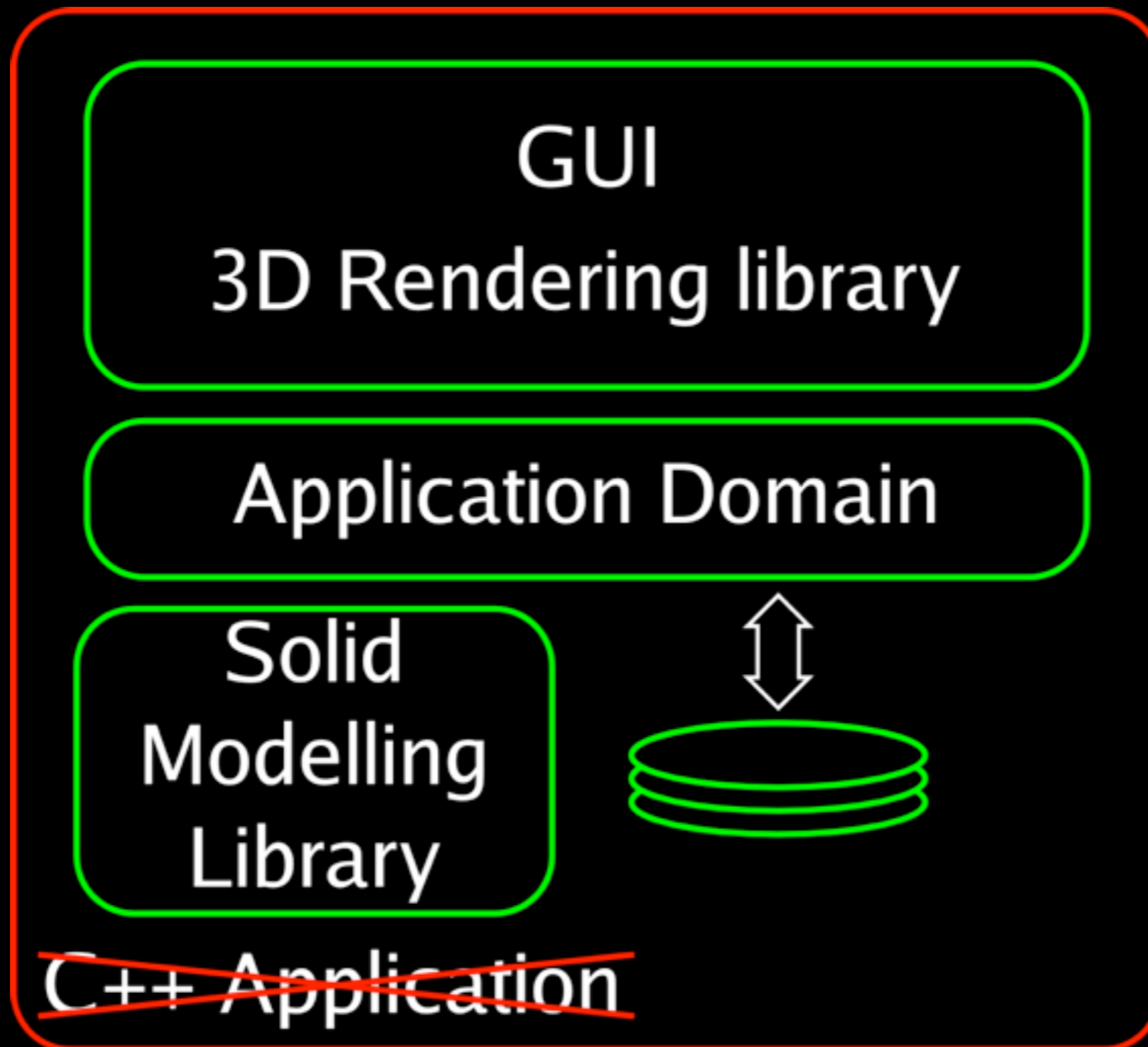


How does it work?

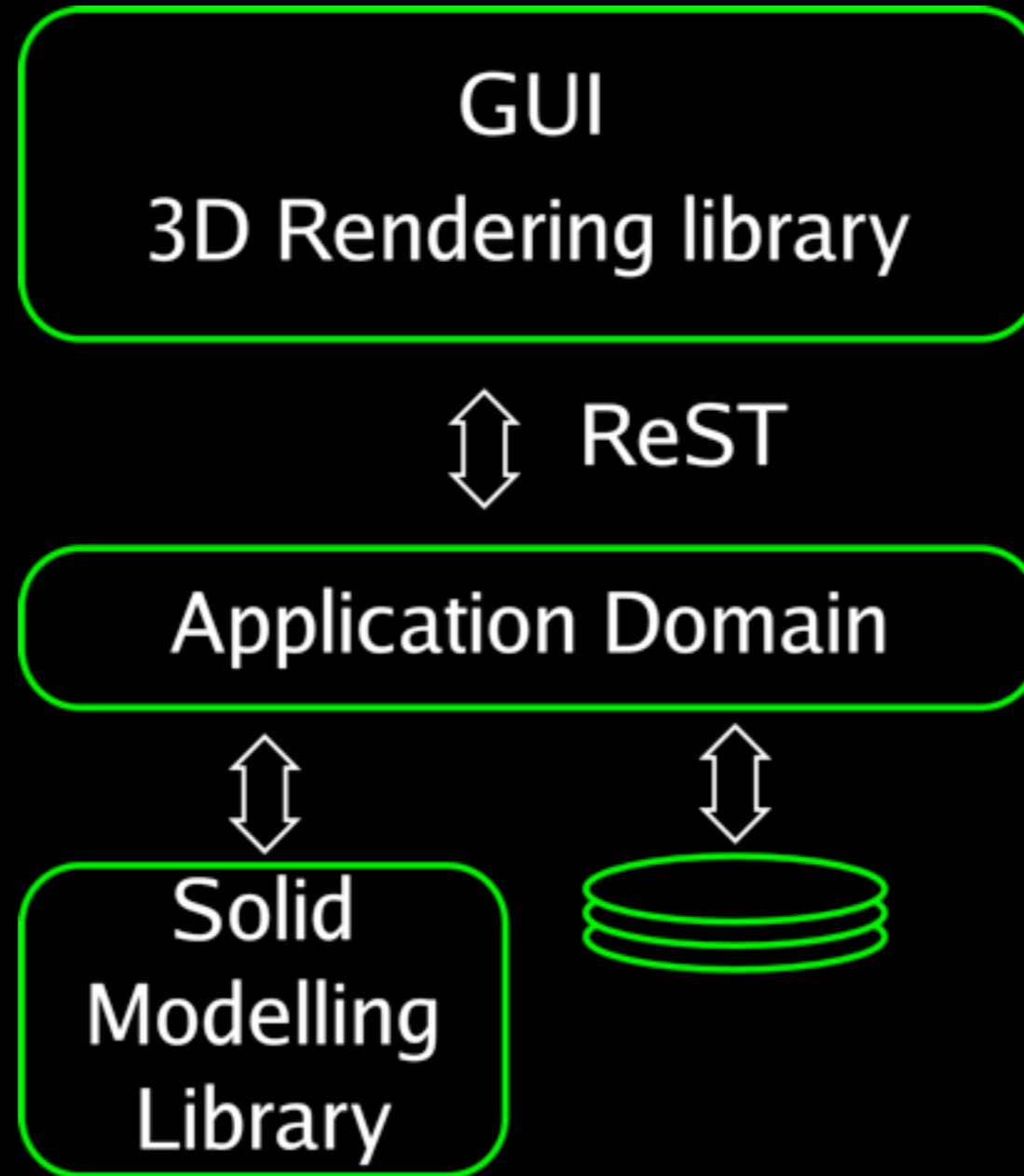
# Traditional CAD application



# Transition A



# Transition B



# Shapeshmith prototype

Browser/Javascript



Erlang  ReST



C++  





# Problem!

Browser/Javascript



Erlang  ReST



C++  



# Representations

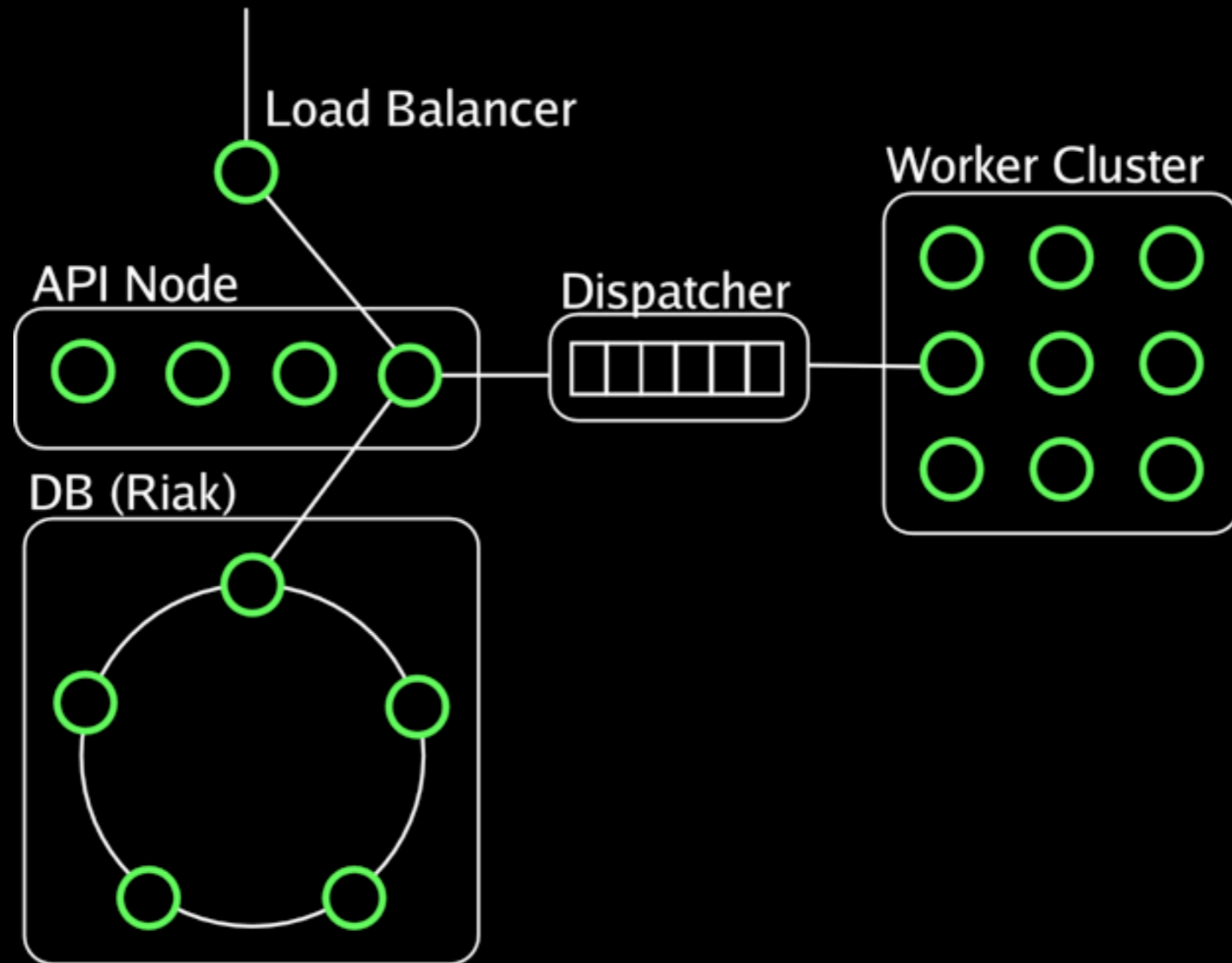
- Geometry

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    { "type" : "sphere", "radius" : 1.0 }  
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- BRep [ + Serialized ]

- Mesh [ + Serialized ]

# Shapesmith v0.1



# Why Erlang?

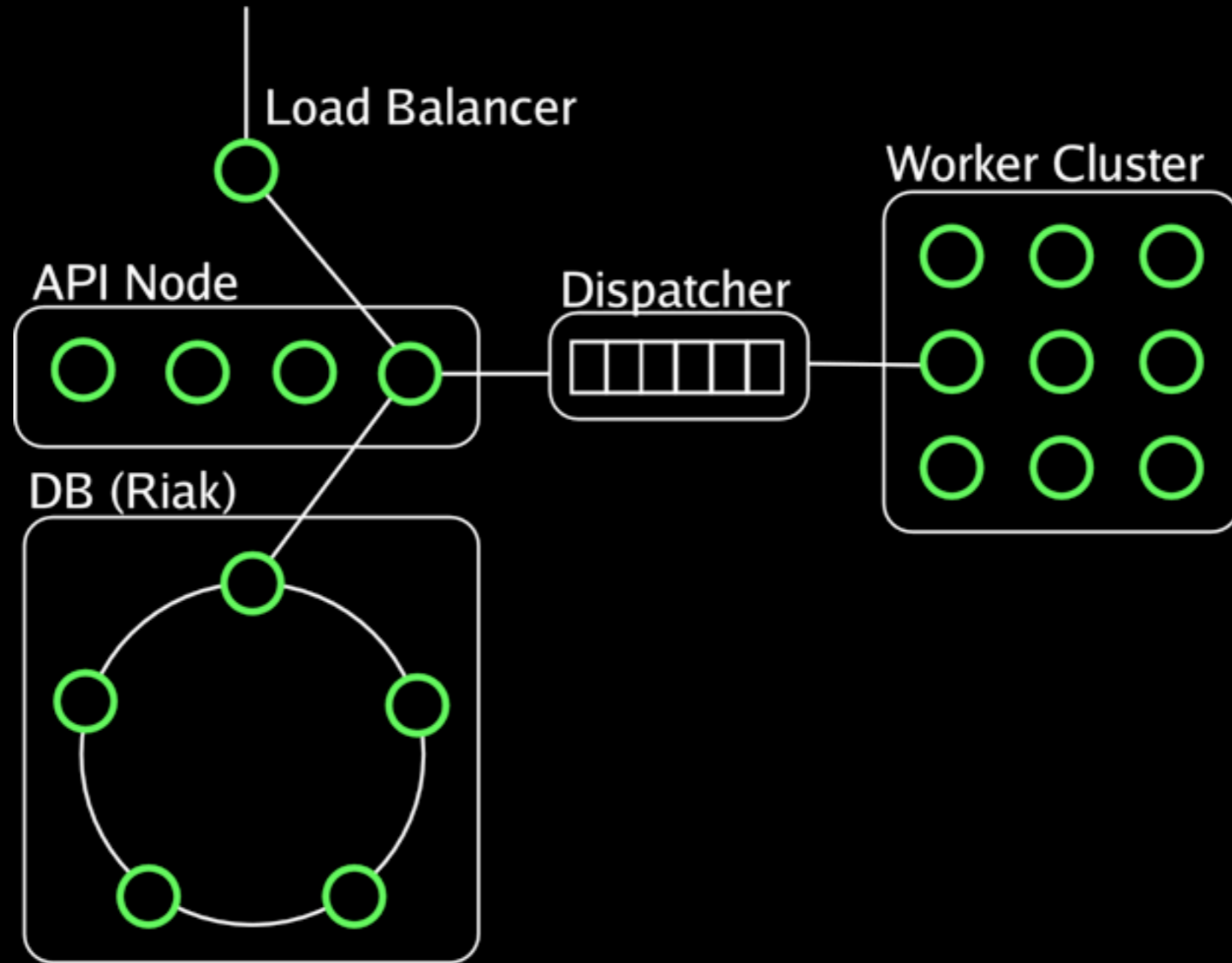
# Memory footprint

- worker process ~ 27MiB
- beam ~ 10MiB
- Java VM ~ 256-512 MiB

# Simple costs less

- Functional = less complexity
- Reasonable concurrency
- 1 developer @ \$6000/month OR 400 EC2 micro nodes @ \$15/month

# Elasticity & Distribution



But...



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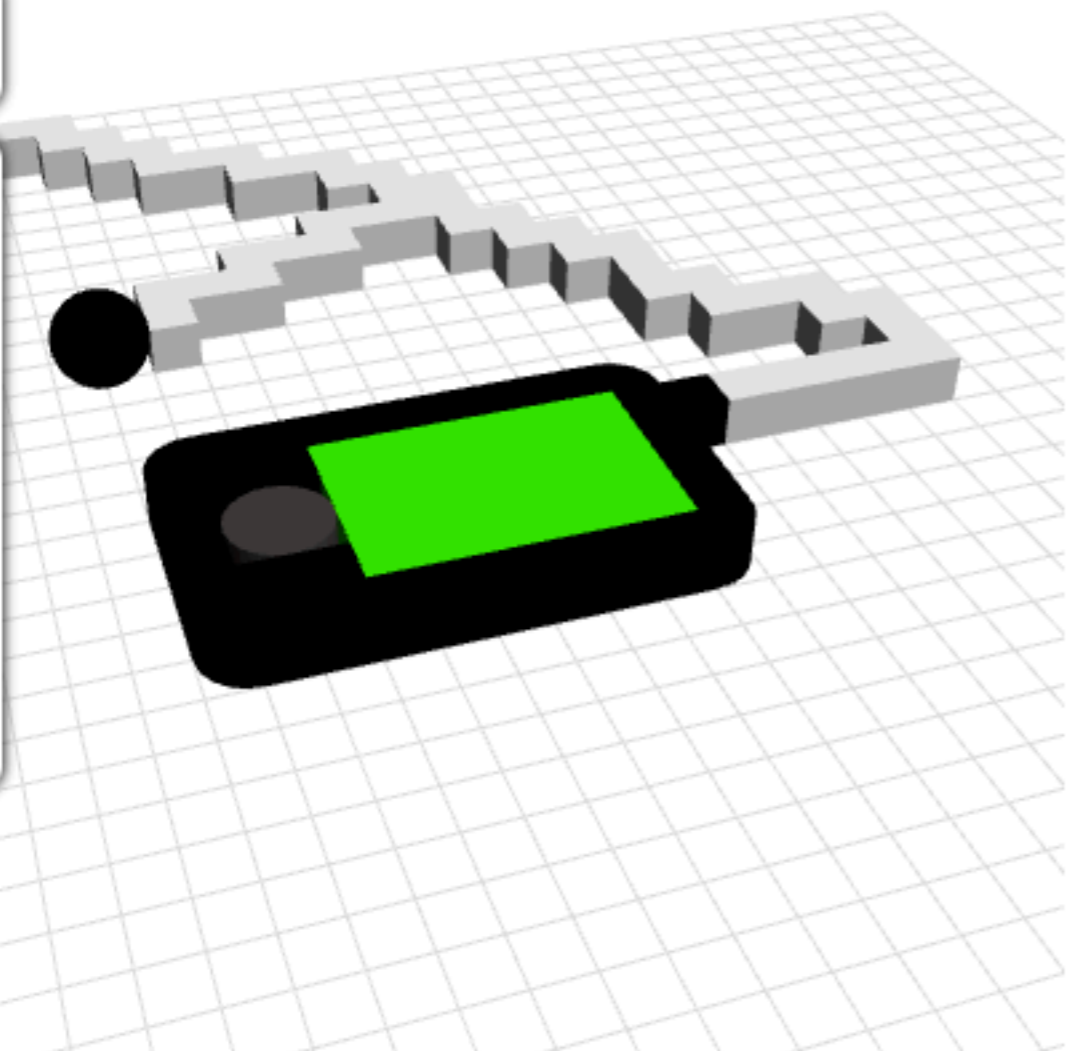
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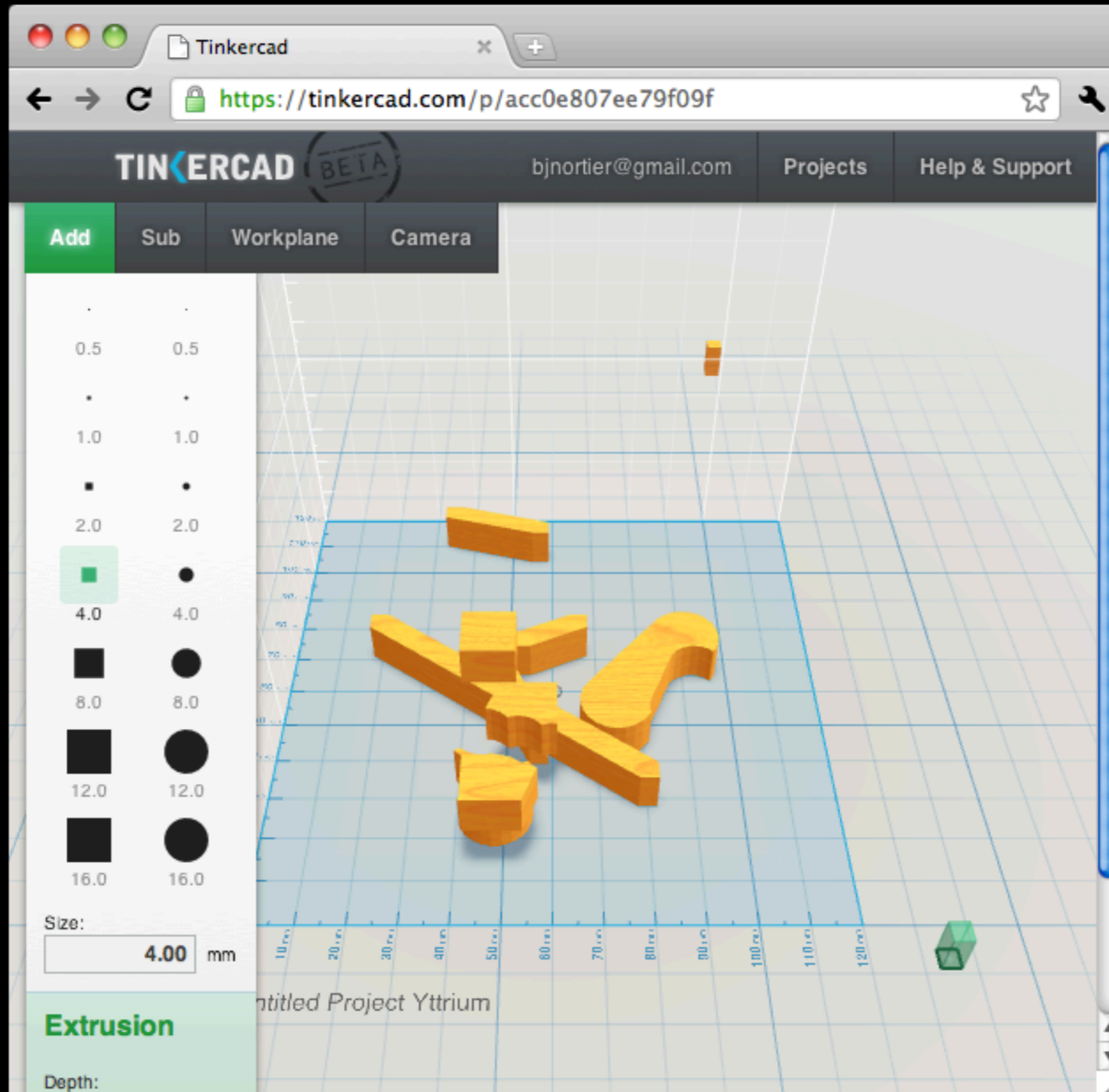
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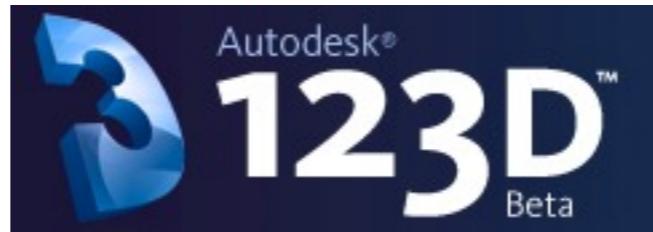


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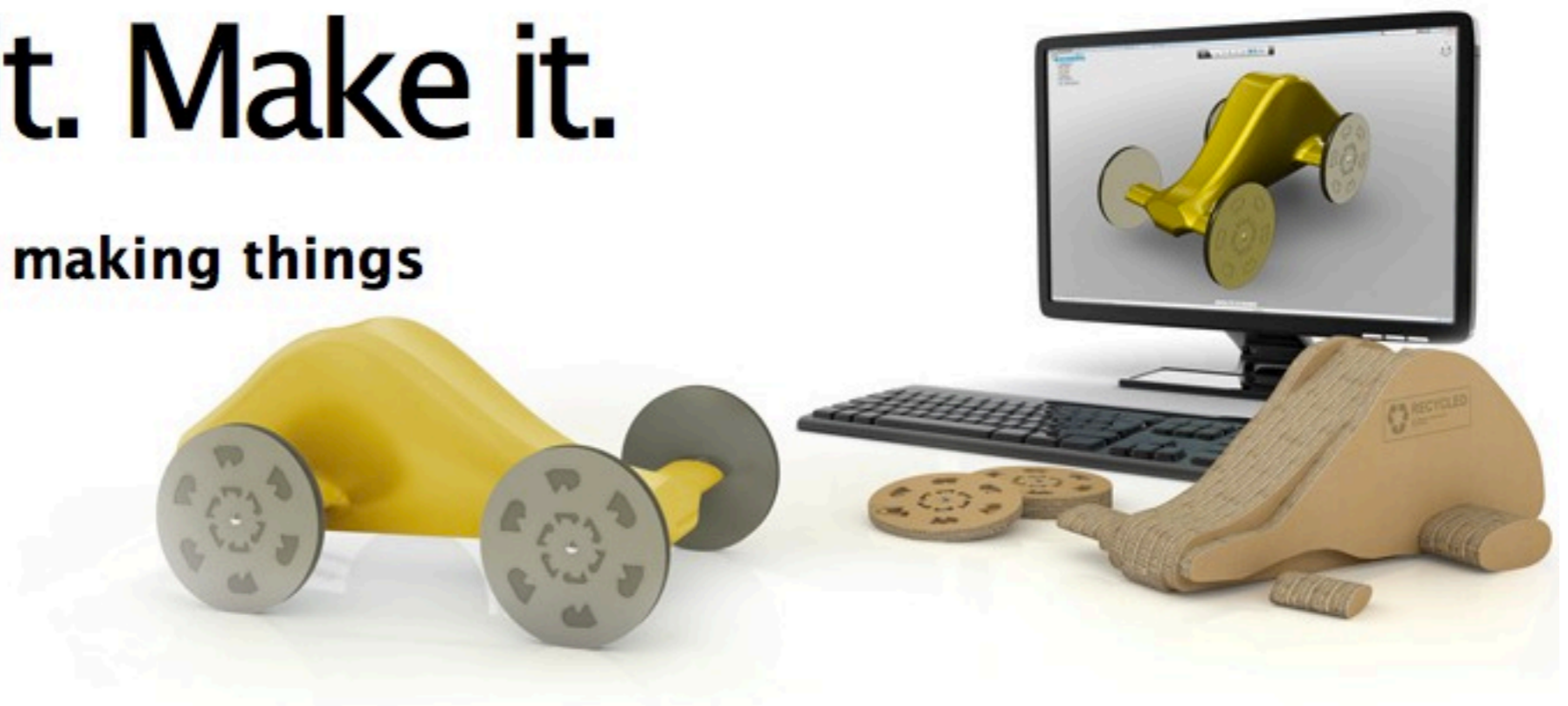




# Create it. Make it.

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# More buts...

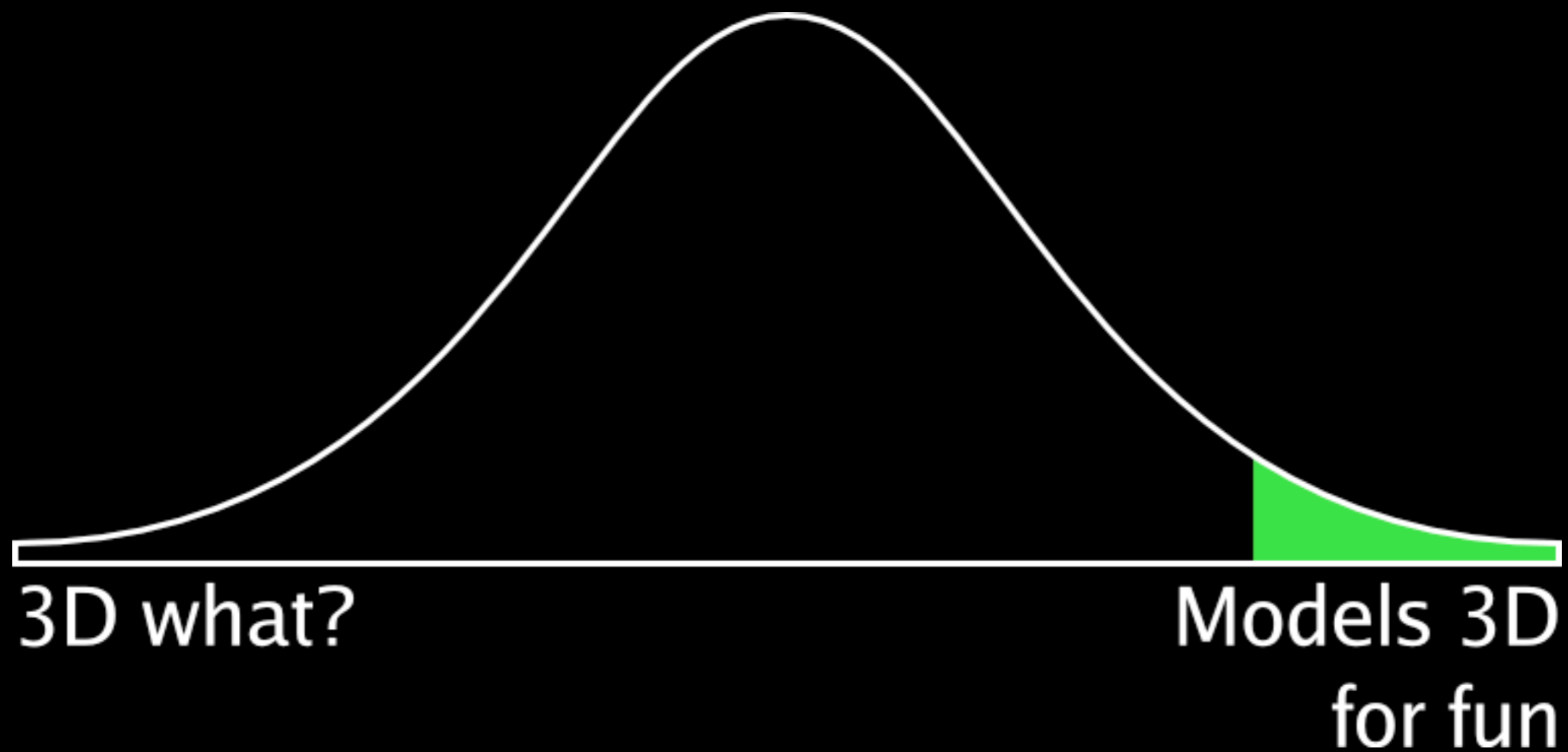
- BRep is  $n^3$
- BRep operations are not divisible in OpenCASCADE
- Erlang + JSON

The future

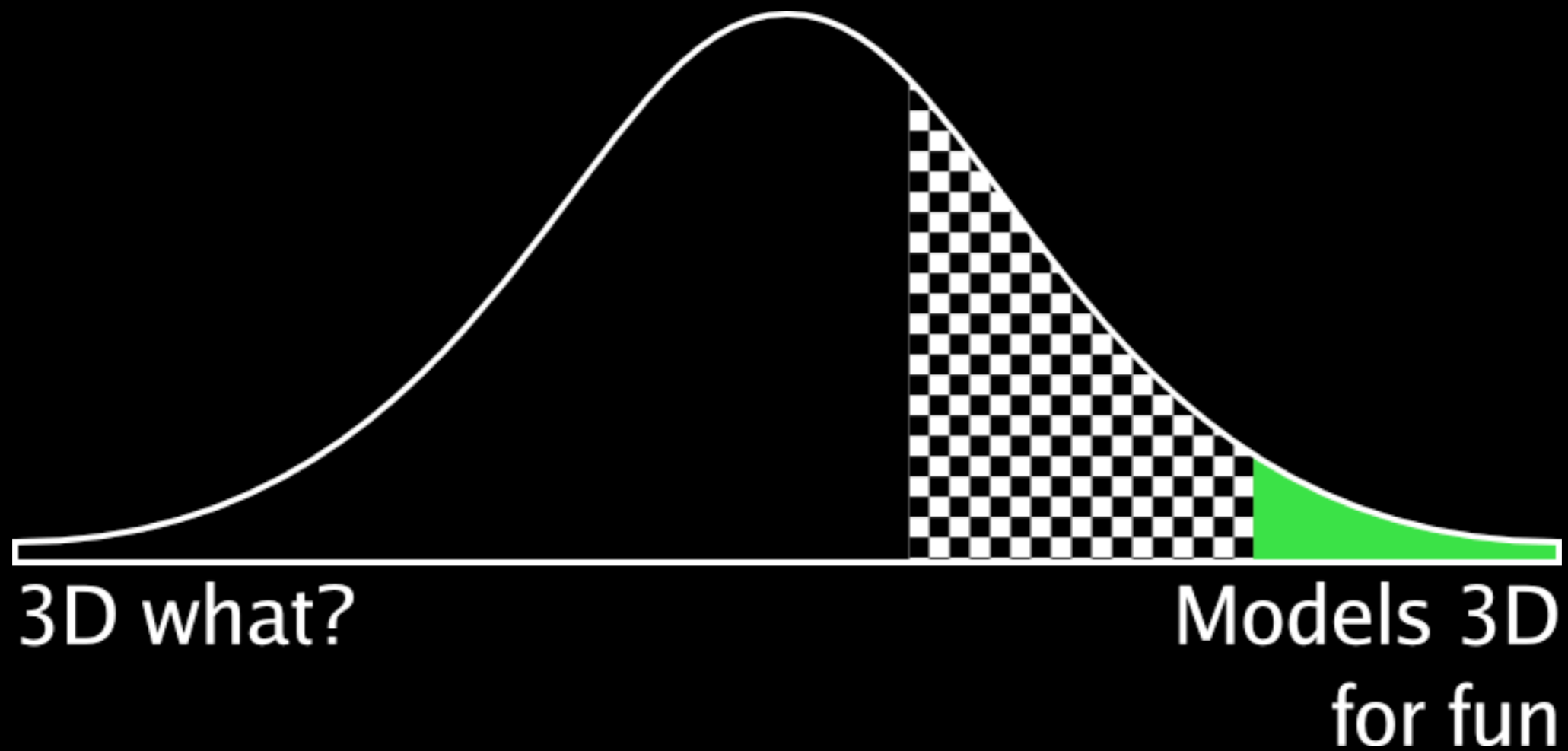
# The future

- 2D, 1D primitives. 1D to 2D, 2D to 3D
- Ease of use (workplane, transparency)
- Open source release
- Parametric & template-based modelling

# Template-based modelling



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