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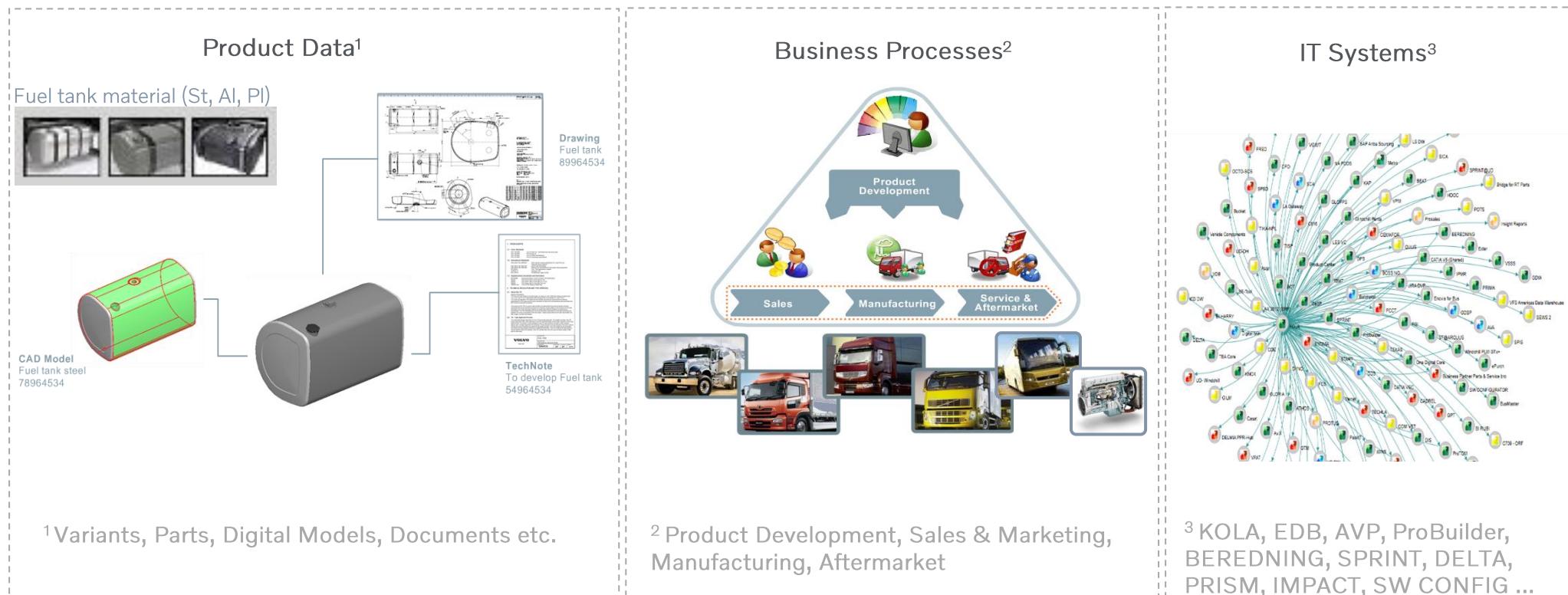
Our Logic put to use



Volvo Group PDM/PLM (KOLA) Logic*

*Volvo logic

Volvo Group PDM/PLM (KOLA) Logic is Volvo Group's **product data¹ backbone** driving the main **business processes²** and it is embedded in an eco-system of in-house developed **IT applications³**.

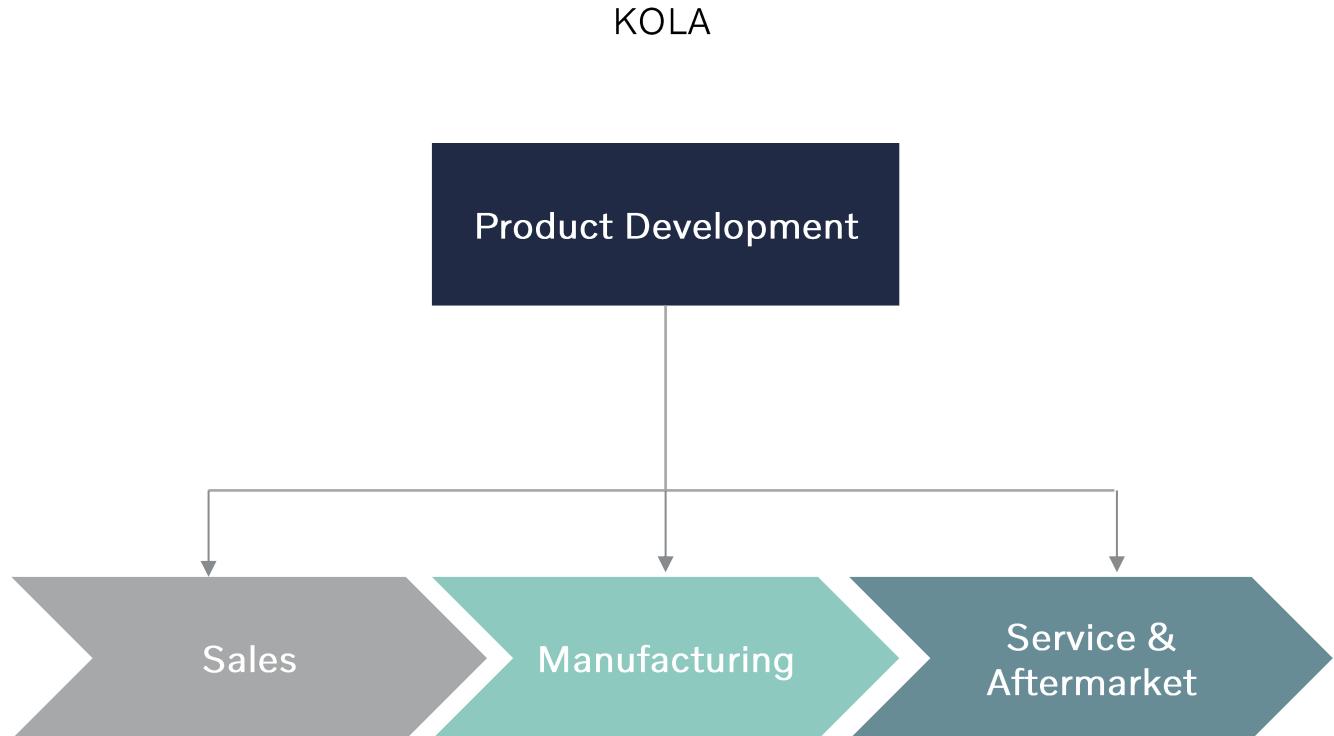




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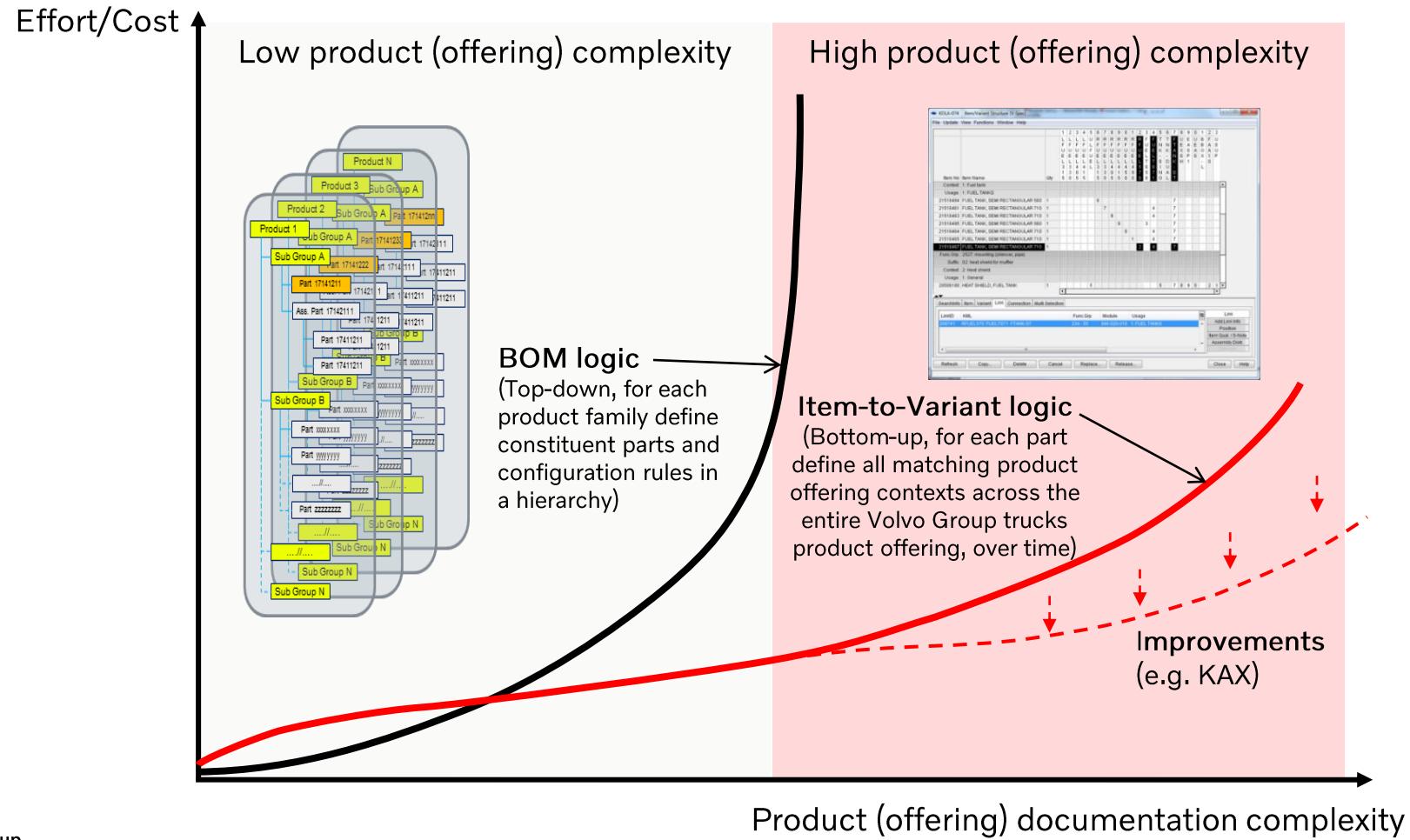
System and Flow

- KOnstruktionsdata LAstvagnar or “Design data Trucks”
- Tool designed to document product development
- Kola information communicated to other systems





Volvo experience of COTS (eBOM*) logic vs. (KOLA) Item-to-Variant logic



STRENGTHS

- Enabling widest multi-brand product offering in the truck industry based on CAST principles
- Powerful in managing trucks offering complexity.
- Engineering and all downstream processes based on the same logic.
- Enabling global synergies and industrial flexibility

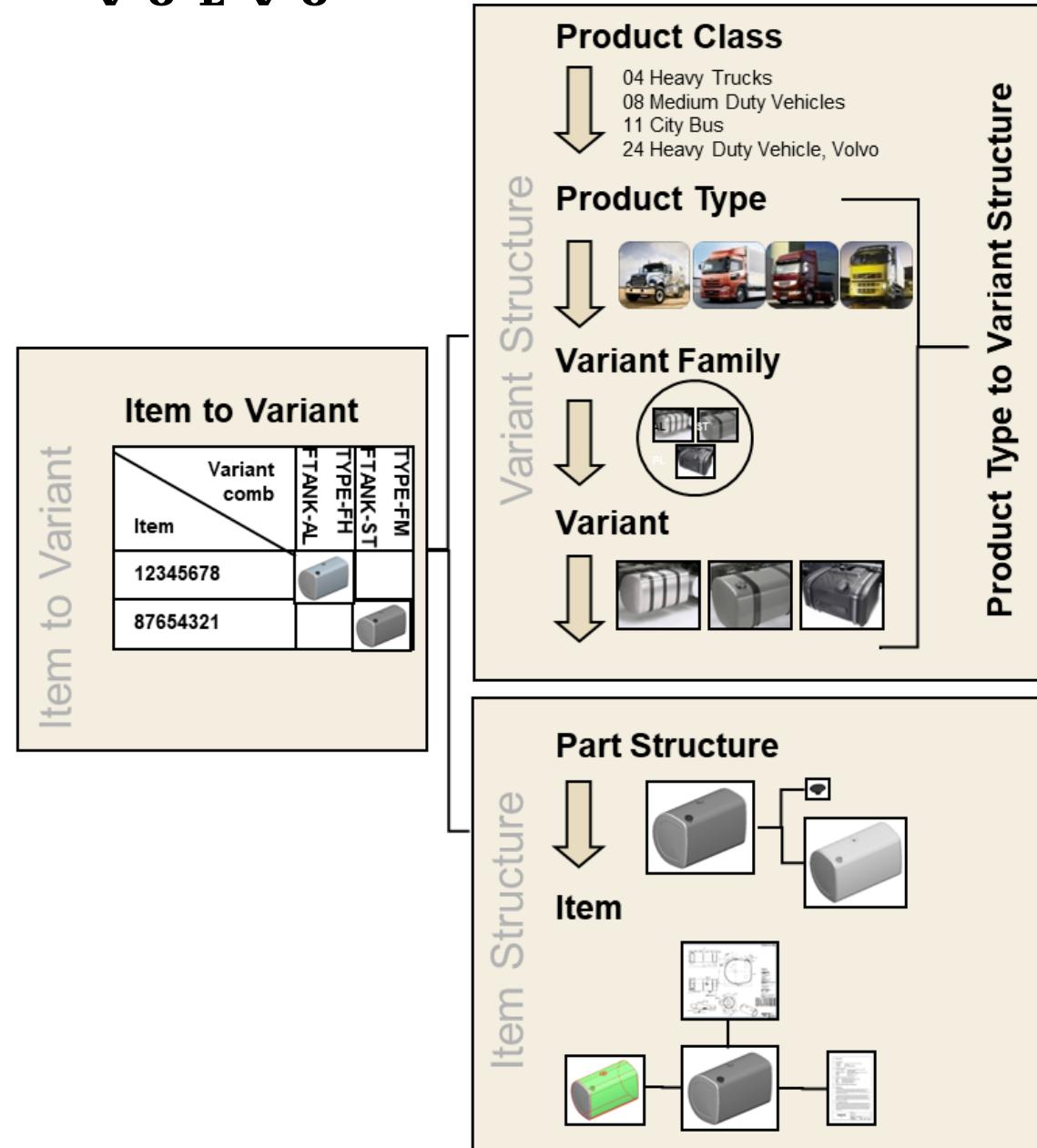
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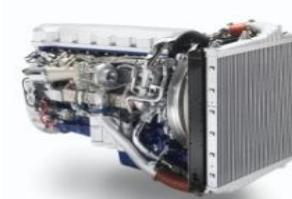
Product Structure Hierarchy Overview





Product Class

Component / Product



PC61

Engine



PC75

Rear Axle



PC71

Gear Box



PC24

HDV



PC06

MDV



PC15

Bus



PC13

Coach Bus



Product Type

F
H
6
2
P
T



F-SERIES HIGH 6*2 PUSHER TRACTOR

M
D
R
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Variant Family

Represents a product option that can be offered to the customer.

Has a number of variants, representing the actual choices for the option.



DPX Family

ENGINE TYPE



Variant

Variants describe the variation within a function or a property.

Each of the different variations of the function represents a Variant.

DPX Family

ENGINE TYPE



7 Litre Engine



13 Litre Engine

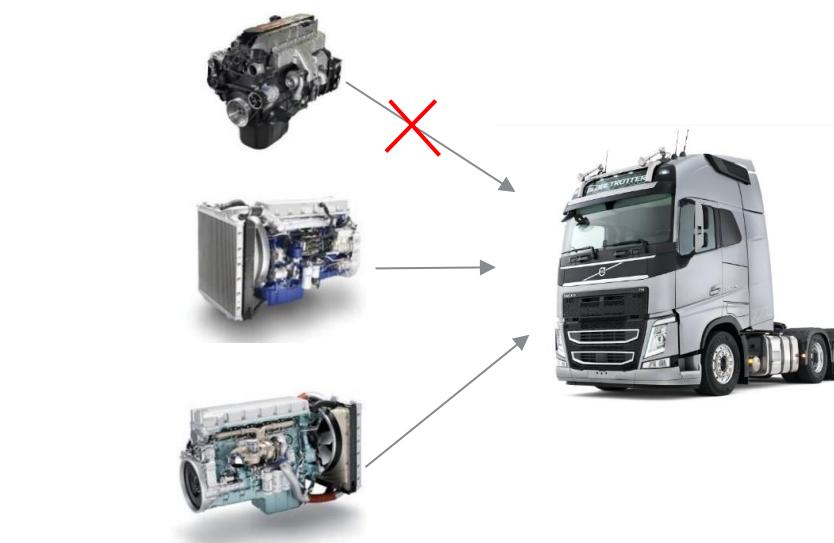


16 Litre Engine

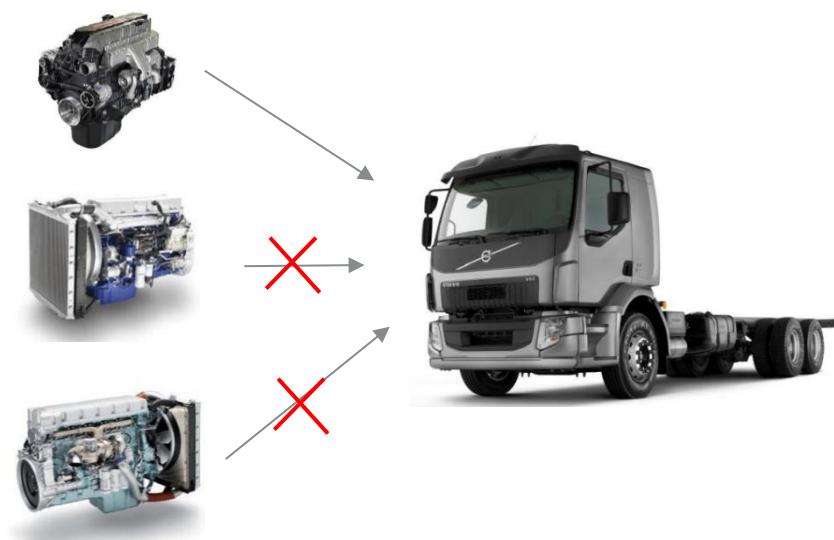


Product Type to Variant

Overview of the Types and Variants that are authorized in a certain Product Class.



Variant	Description	1	2	3
Prod.Class:	24: HEAVY			
FamilyID:	DPX: ENGI			
ENG-VE11	11 L. ENGL			
ENG-VE13	13 L. ENGL	1	2	3
DPX-BKX	13,2 L. ENG			
ENG-VE16	16 L. ENGL	1	2	3



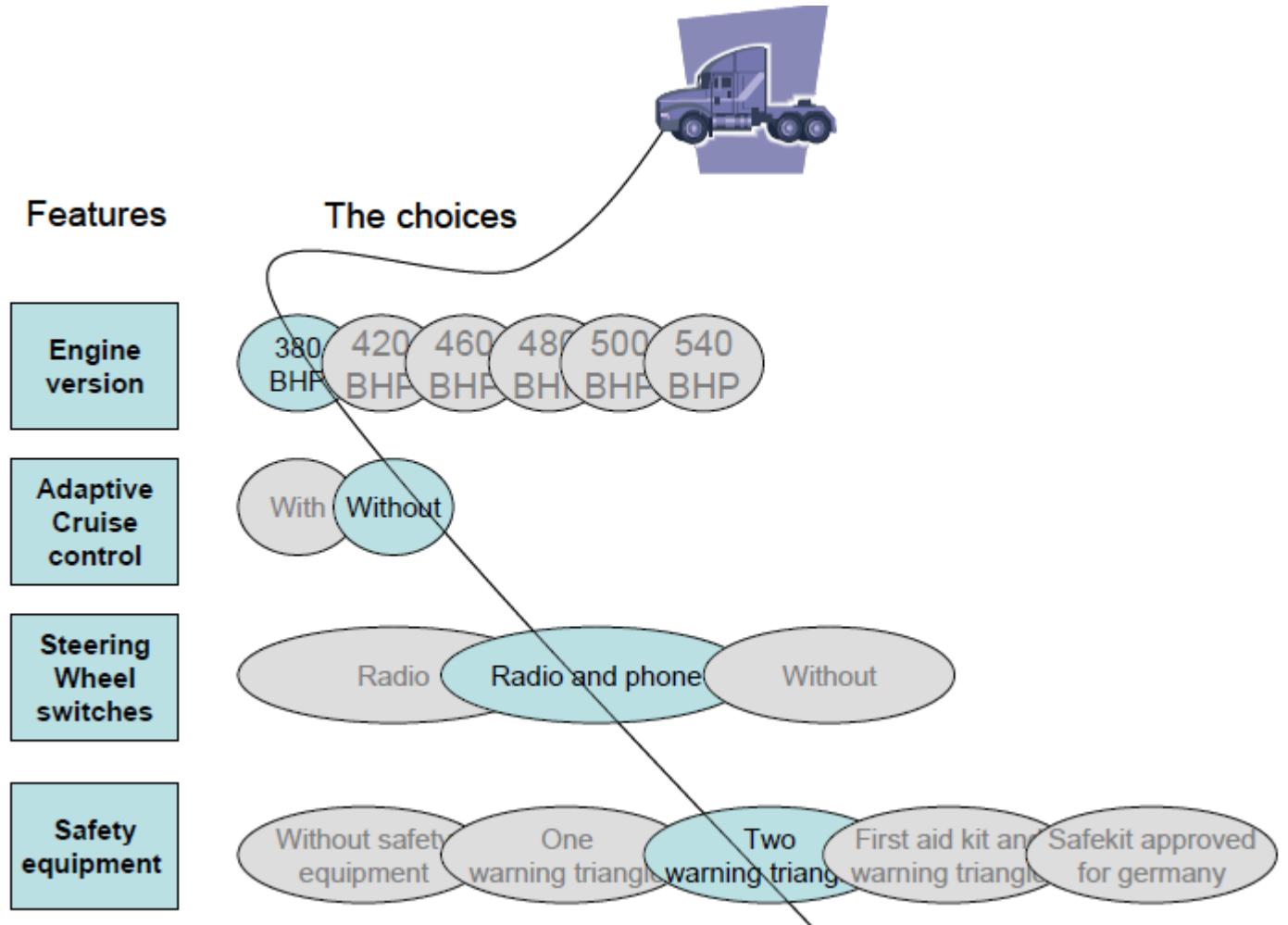
Variant	Description	1	2	3
Prod.Class:	06: MEDIUM			
FamilyID:	DPX: ENGI			
ENG-MWM5	5 LITRE MV			
ENG-MWM6	6 LITRE MV			
ENG-MWM7	7 LITRE MV	1	2	3
ENG-D8	8L. DIESEL			



Variant Structure

Describes the product offering from a technical point of view.

The product offering means all allowed truck configurations.



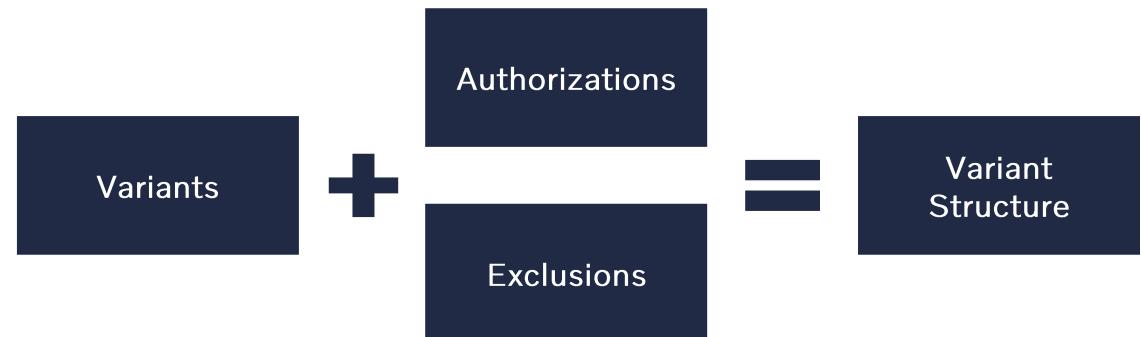


Variant Rules

Basically, the Variant Structure consists of building blocks, called Variants, and rules for how these building blocks can be combined.

These rules consist of **Authorizations** and **Exclusions**

The **Authorizations** are the **general** rules for how to deal with the Variants. The **Exclusions** are **adjustments** of these general rules.

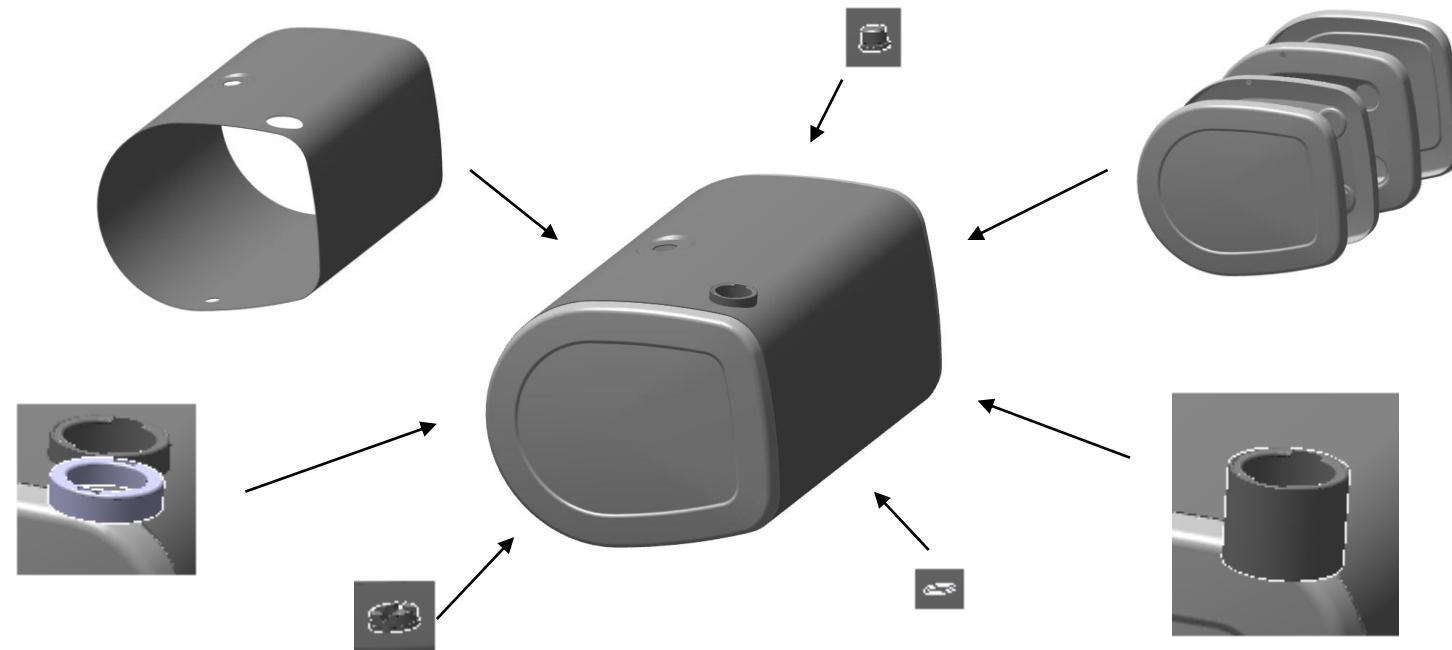




Part Number	Part Name
22038777	FUEL TANK
957185	GASKET
20503566	BLEEDER SCREW
20503569	FLANGE
20538744	END PLATE
20374926	FILLER PIPE
21493784	FLANGE
21516660	CASING
20538745	BAFFLE

Part Structure

Assembly Parts are built up of Constituent Parts.

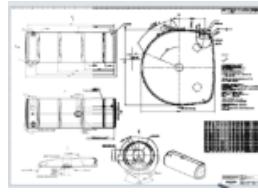
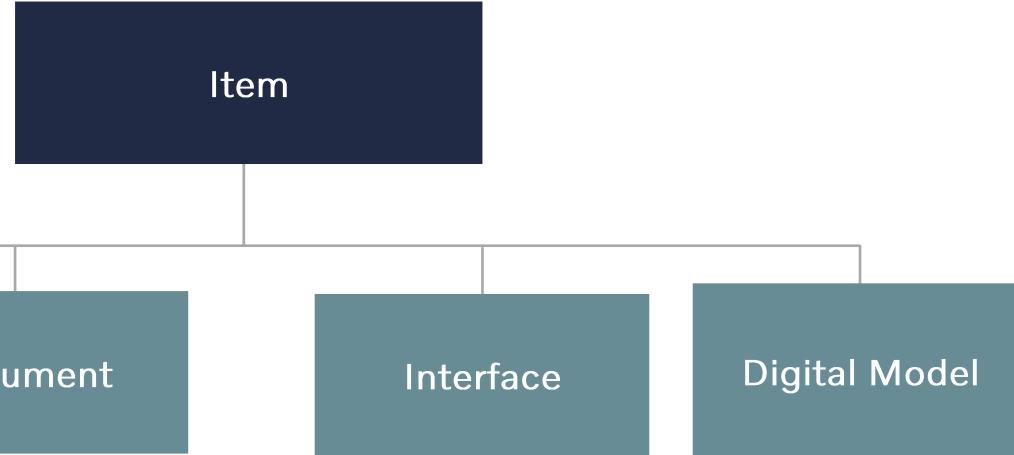




Item

Items are connected to a part.

Parts need at least one primary reference.

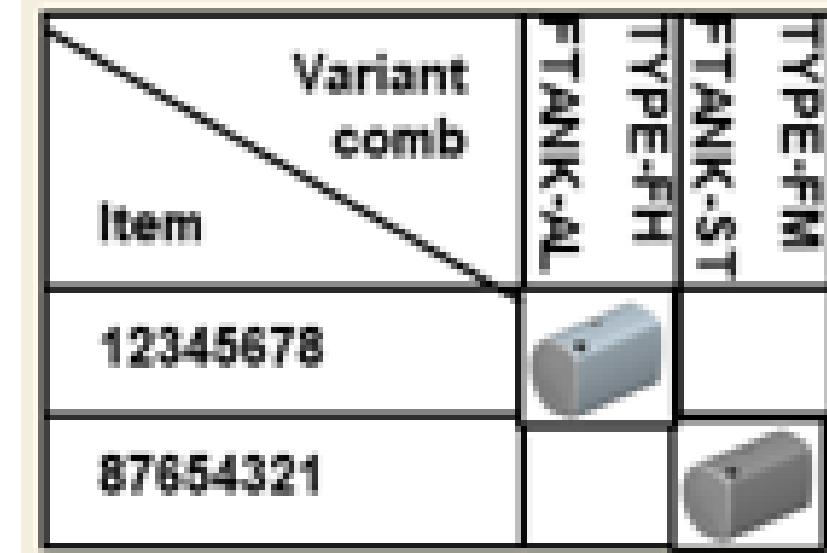




Item

Item / Variant Structure

Combining our Items with our Variant using a functional grouping to describe our set of products





Virtual builds

Depending on the type of Item used in the Item/Variant structure we can build up not just physical vehicles

