



MIGMA PACKTRON IMPROVING COMMERCIAL VEHICLE DASHBOARD AND INTERIOR DEVELOPMENT WITH **3D**EXPERIENCE WORKS SOLUTIONS

Case Study



Migma Packtron relies on SOLIDWORKS and **3D**EXPERIENCE Works solutions to shorten design cycles, improve quality, and reduce costs during the development of automotive interior components by connecting people, tools, and data on the cloud-based **3D**EXPERIENCE product development platform.



Challenge:

Improve collaboration and data management across the product development and manufacturing organization.

Solution:

Add cloud-based **3D**EXPERIENCE Works solutions to its existing SOLIDWORKS implementation, including Collaborative Business Innovator, Collaborative Industry Innovator, Collaborative Designer for SOLIDWORKS, Project Planner, Change Manager, and Product Release Engineer solutions.

Results:

- Cut design cycles by 30 percent
- Reduced time to market by 20 percent
- Decreased infrastructure, IT, and software maintenance costs
- Connected organization's most vital resources: people, software tools, and data

Since its founding in 1988, Migma Packtron has grown to become the leading Indian manufacturer of commercial vehicle dashboards and automotive interior components. With the goal of becoming a leading global provider of innovative automotive interior products and solutions, the company has emerged as a preferred vendor of leading automotive original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) for manufacturing commercial vehicle dashboards. Migma Packtron has also introduced industry innovations, such as its recently developed snap-fit concept for automotive interior components, offering key benefits like instant fitting and removal, no visible hardware on surfaces, and greater attractiveness and cost-effectiveness..

With the vacuum-forming machine with the largest bed size (3300 mm x 1700 mm) in central India, the company leverages its talented designers and engineers to create automotive interior concepts that meet all requirements for production via the thermoforming process. Although Migma Packtron initially utilized outside resources for product development, management decided to bring design and engineering in-house in 2018, conducting an evaluation of Siemens Solid Edge®, PTC Creo®, and SOLIDWORKS® mechanical design solutions, before implementing SOLIDWORKS CAD, according to Director Nitin Raut.

"We decided to develop an in-house capability for pattern design and development when we implemented SOLIDWORKS in 2018," Raut explains. "SOLIDWORKS has helped us in speeding up our development process and delivering highquality products to customers more quickly. As we develop fixtures and continue innovating our manufacturing processes, we need a robust solution with a short learning curve, which is why we chose SOLIDWORKS. After we began using SOLIDWORKS, we have been able to shorten delivery times by 20 percent. Building on this success, we decided to utilize SOLIDWORKS on the cloud-based **3D**EXPERIENCE® platform by acquiring **3D**EXPERIENCE Works solutions, including Collaborative Industry Innovator for cloud data management."

Migma Packtron decided to move to the **3D**EXPERIENCE platform—acquiring Collaborative Business Innovator, Collaborative Industry Innovator, Collaborative Designer for SOLIDWORKS, Project Planner, Change Manager, and Product Release Engineer—to streamline the company's development and manufacturing processes and facilitate collaboration within and across all departments.



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monitor project status in real time. The platform enables them to easily share tasks and define deliverables, dependencies, and key milestones. Revision control minimizes errors, and our IT overhead, infrastructure, software maintenance, and future hardware investment costs are all reduced."

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FORMALIZING WORKFLOWS SPEEDS DEVELOPMENT

Since moving to the **3D**EXPERIENCE platform, Migma Packtron has formalized its workflows, resulting in a 30 percent reduction in design cycles and contributing to its faster times to market. After receiving detailed requirements and specifications for a dashboard or interior component from a customer, Migma Packtron engineers evaluate whether there are any design for manufacturing (DFM) issues before issuing a quote. Once the customer accepts the quote, the project goes through pattern development, machining, vacuum forming, trimming, and finishing processes.

"As soon as an inquiry comes in from a customer, a project is initiated on the **3D**EXPERIENCE platform and all tasks are then allocated to all of the stakeholders involved in our process," Raut points out. "Assessing DFM and responding to a customer request for quote [RFQ] are handled by our design and development team using SOLIDWORKS and the **3D**EXPERIENCE platform, where design data is shared in order to finalize the RFQ. Upon customer acceptance, pattern development is completed by the design team using SOLIDWORKS, and the pattern design is accessed on the platform by machining for production. The combination of SOLIDWORKS and the **3D**EXPERIENCE platform has provided us with an efficient in-house development and manufacturing setup that is helping us support growth."

CONNECTING RESOURCES IN THE CLOUD

By adding the **3D**EXPERIENCE platform to its SOLIDWORKS implementation, Migma Packtron has realized a cloud-based data management and product lifecycle management (PLM) system that not only improves revision controls, data security, and data access, but also facilitates change management, release processes, and standardization across the organization. "The **3D**EXPERIENCE Works roles that we acquired were critically important for us because they instantly gave us an affordable, cloud-based solution for powerful collaborative PLM," Raut stresses.

"The **3D**EXPERIENCE platform connects our organization's most vital resources: our people, software tools, and data," Raut adds. "The platform gives us a unified secure place to collaborate on designs and more consistently keep projects and people on track."

COLLABORATION, IMPROVED QUALITY, REDUCED COSTS

By adding the cloud-based **3D**EXPERIENCE platform to its existing SOLIDWORKS implementation, Migma Packtron has realized better collaboration and information access, not only leading to improved product quality but also resulting in cost reductions related to infrastructure, IT, and software maintenance. "Maintaining and growing our market position demands highquality products and timely delivery," Raut stresses.

"The combination of SOLIDWORKS design software and the **3D**EXPERIENCE platform enables our teams to plan, execute, and monitor project status in real time," Raut continues. "By empowering team members to efficiently collaborate from anywhere, at any time, and on any device, the platform enables them to easily share tasks and define deliverables, dependencies, and key milestones. Revision control minimizes errors, and because we can work in the cloud, our IT overhead, infrastructure, software maintenance, and future hardware investment costs are all reduced."

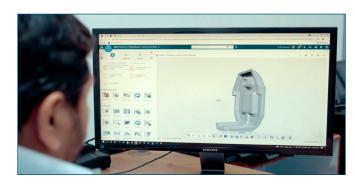
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Using SOLIDWORKS and **3D**EXPERIENCE Works solutions on the cloud-based **3D**EXPERIENCE platform has enabled Migma Packtron to formalize workflows, tighten revision controls, and collaborate more effectively, resulting in shorter times to market, improved quality, and reduced costs.

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