

AHP Merkle iForum 2010

Product catalogs are more than just 3-D data



AHP Merkle GmbH

- Medium-sized company with 120 employees
- Founded in1973
- 2nd generation family-run business
- Market leader in manufacturing hydraulic cylinders for tool manufacturing and mold and design construction
- Operating globally with 17 international offices
- At the turn of the year 2009/2010: Successful move to a new location in Gottenheim. Investment: 7.5 M €



Product Data History

- First print catalog shortly after establishment of company
- 1996: Introduction of first 2-D DXF part catalog
- 2000: Creation of first 3-D catalog (immediately with PARTsolutions)
- 2002: First multilingual product catalog in 11 languages
- 2006: Redesign of product data as assemblies
- 2010: Complete redesign of print catalog
- 2010: New CD with new functions (PARTsolutions V9)



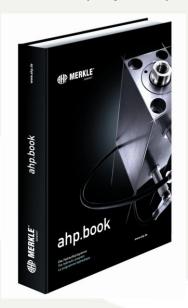
What is the Aim of Product Data?

- Product spectrum should be displayed clearly
- Easy operation
- Low maintenance
- Advertisement
- Obtain added value for customers
- The customer should be able to receive a high amount of information



All of This in Different Media

- Print (ahp.book)
- Internet (ahp.web)
- CD (ahp.cad)







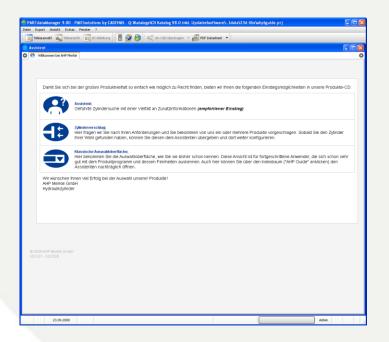


Ideal Conception

- Similar visual appearance and operation of all media
- High recognition value
- All media should have CAD data available



A Consistent Look and Feel is Preferable



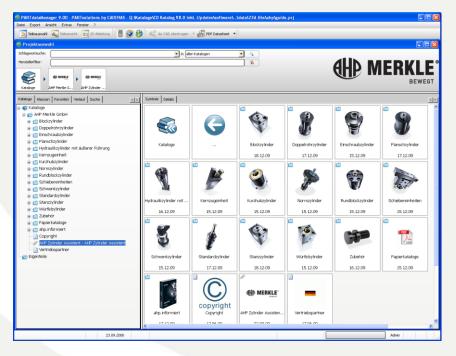
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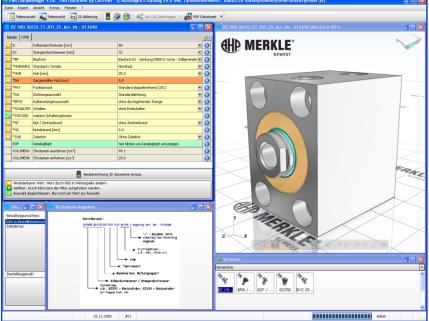


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Adapted Software Interface

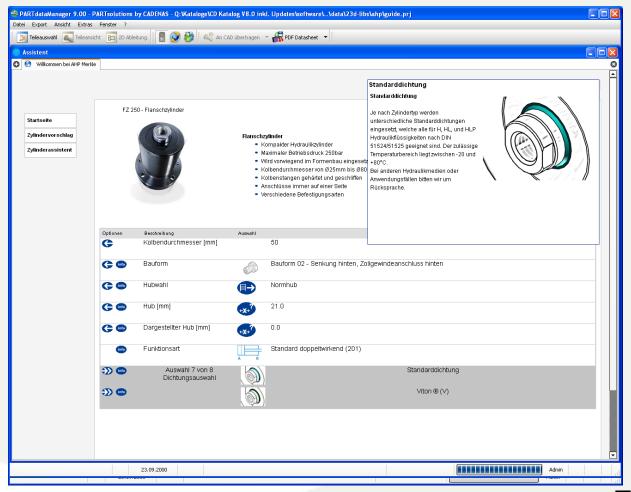






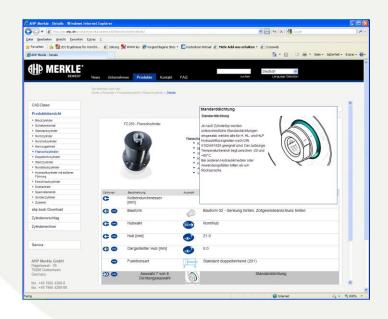
Three Search Options

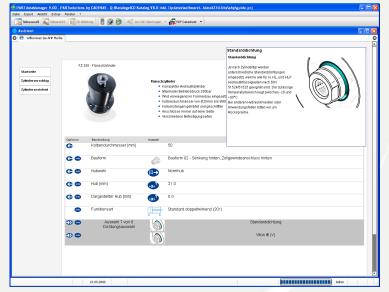
- "Cadenas standard"
- Suggestion of cylinder
- Ahp.assistant





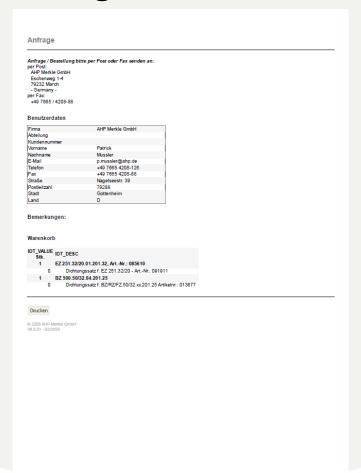
ahp.assistant of the CD is Seamlessly Integrated Online on the Homepage





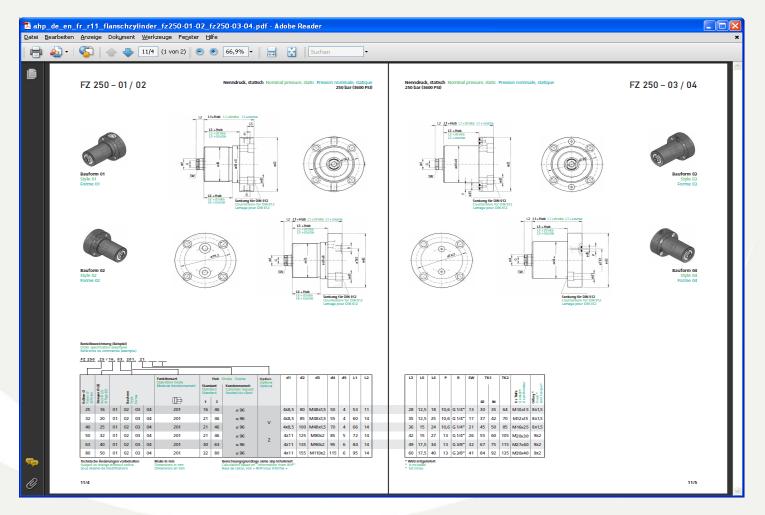


Shopping Cart Integrated in Assistant



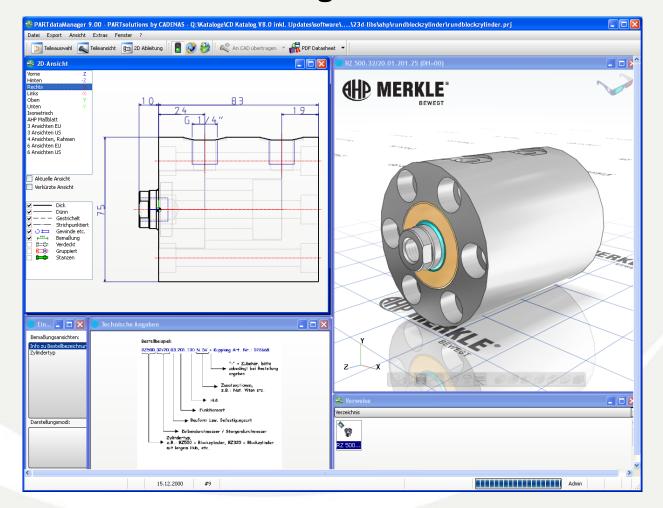


Connection to Print Catalog Always Possible



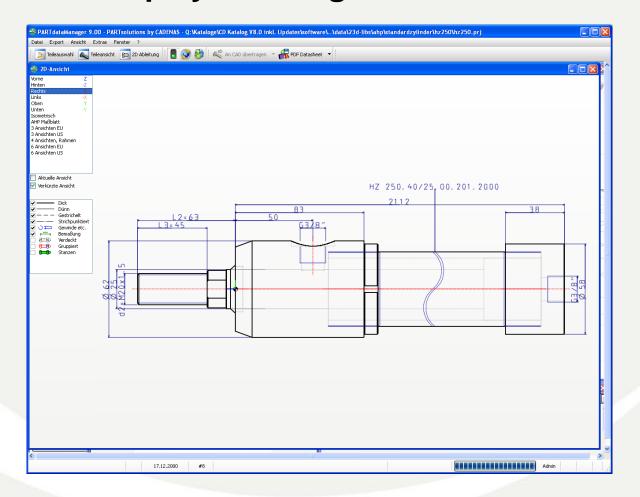


Automatic 2-D Dimensioning



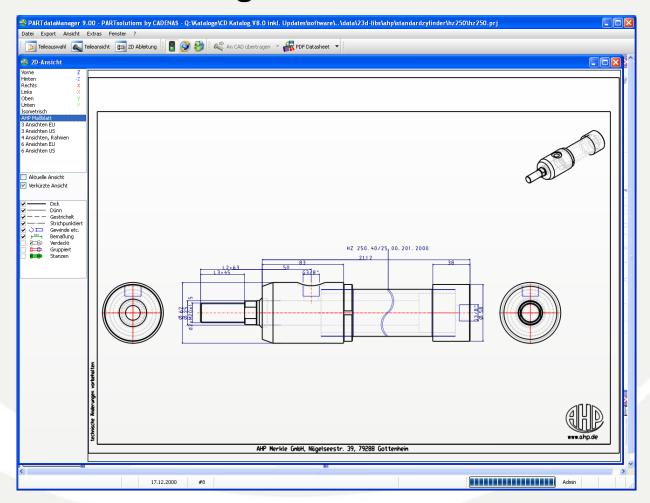


Shortened Display for Long Part





Dimensional Drawing Function





3-D PDF Datasheet

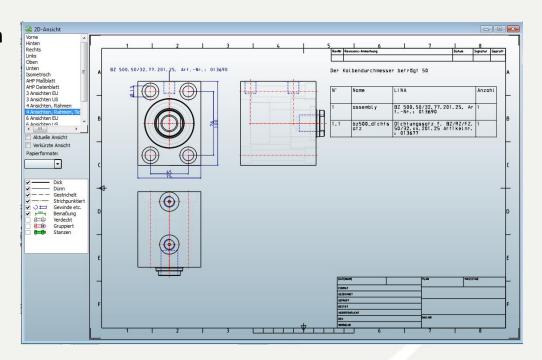
- 3-D view of cylinder
- Interactive 3-D view of cylinder
- Overview of selected parameters of cylinder
- BOM-list with most important parts
- 2-D dimensional drawing
- Localized in the respectively selected language





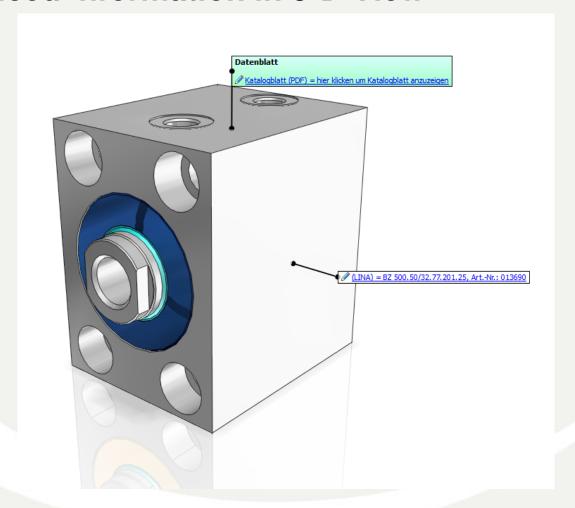
PDF Datasheet – Coming Soon!

- Elements can be positioned in sketch frame
- 3-D file integrated in PDF





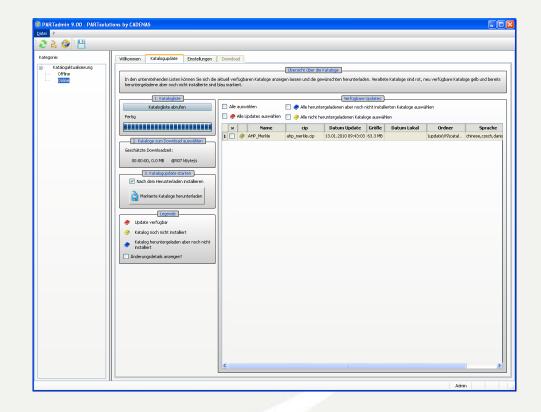
Enhanced Information in 3-D View





CD Update Function

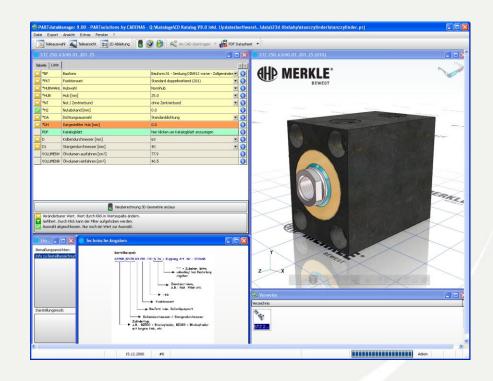
- CD data status can be kept up-to-date by user
- Update reminder function
- Can be started directly from within the PARTdataManager





Textures on Surfaces

- Better recognition effect of final product
- Material used is evident quickly





And now...
a live presentation...



Questions?!