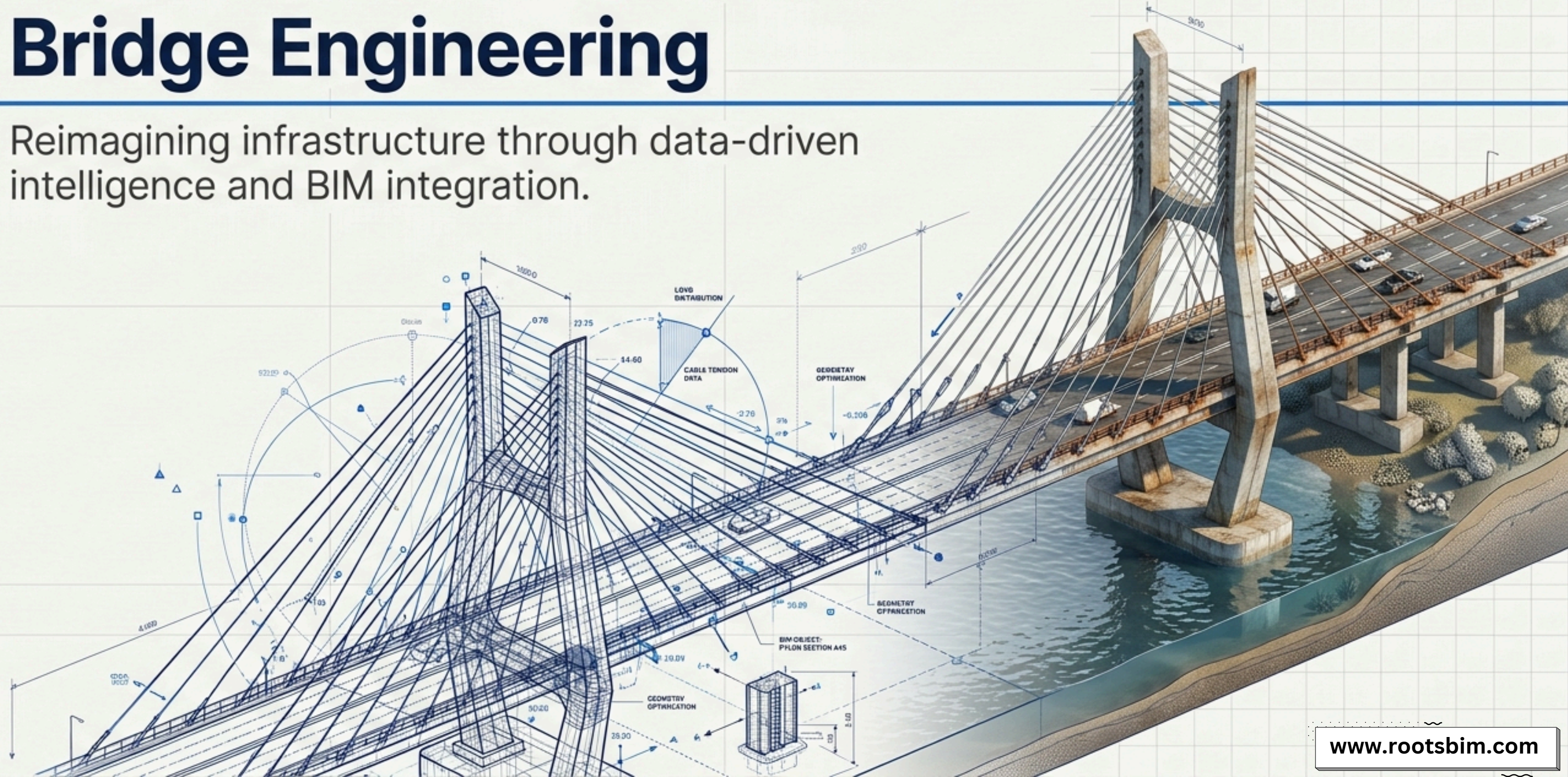


The Future of Parametric Bridge Engineering

Reimagining infrastructure through data-driven intelligence and BIM integration.



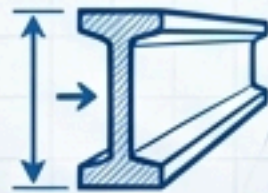
The Friction of Modern Complexity

Modifying a single design parameter in traditional workflows—such as deck curvature or pylon height—triggers cascading delays.

Modern Typologies



Curved alignments



Variable-depth girders



Cable-supported systems



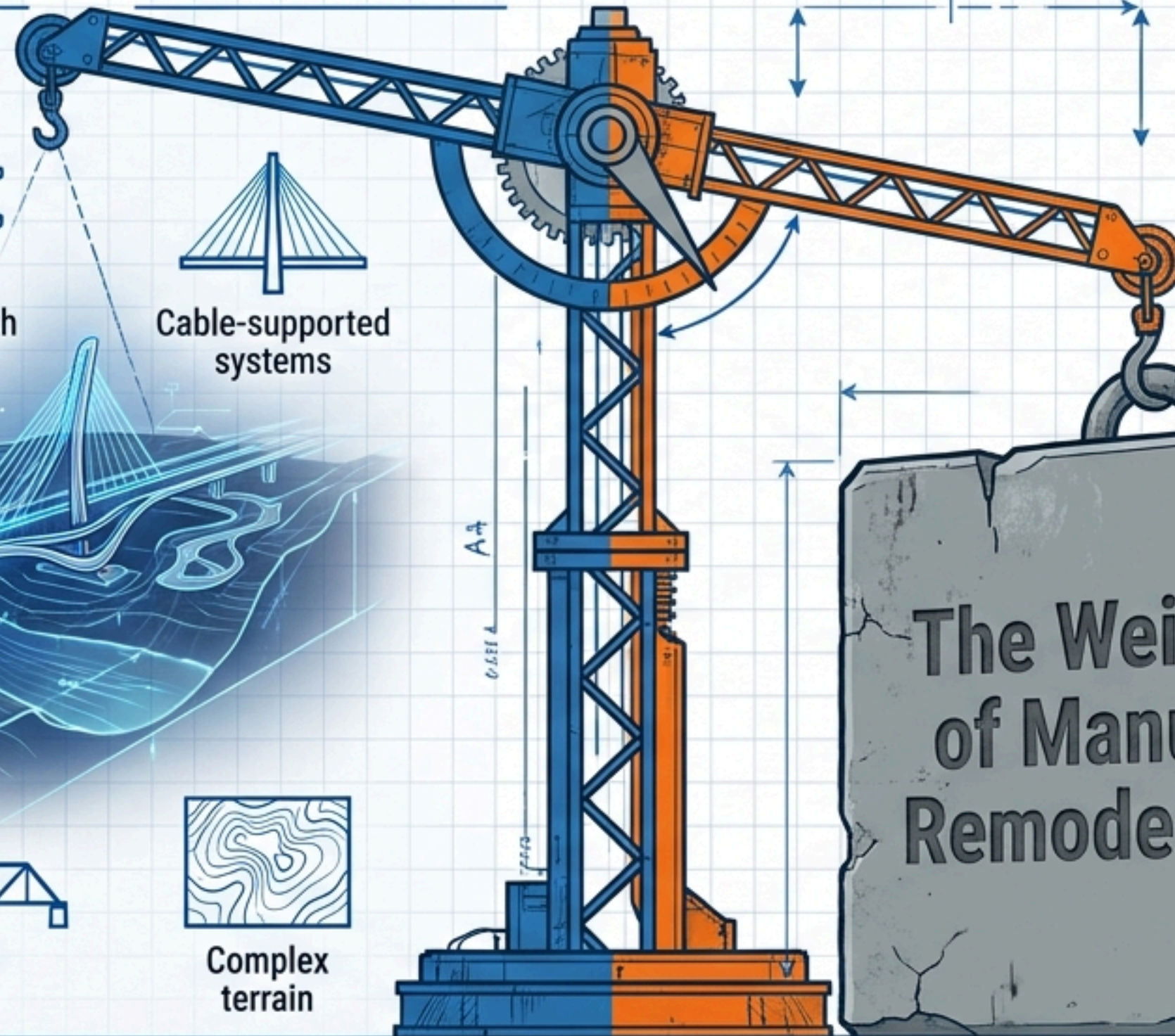
Freeform pedestrian bridges



Long-span structures



Complex terrain



Longer design iterations

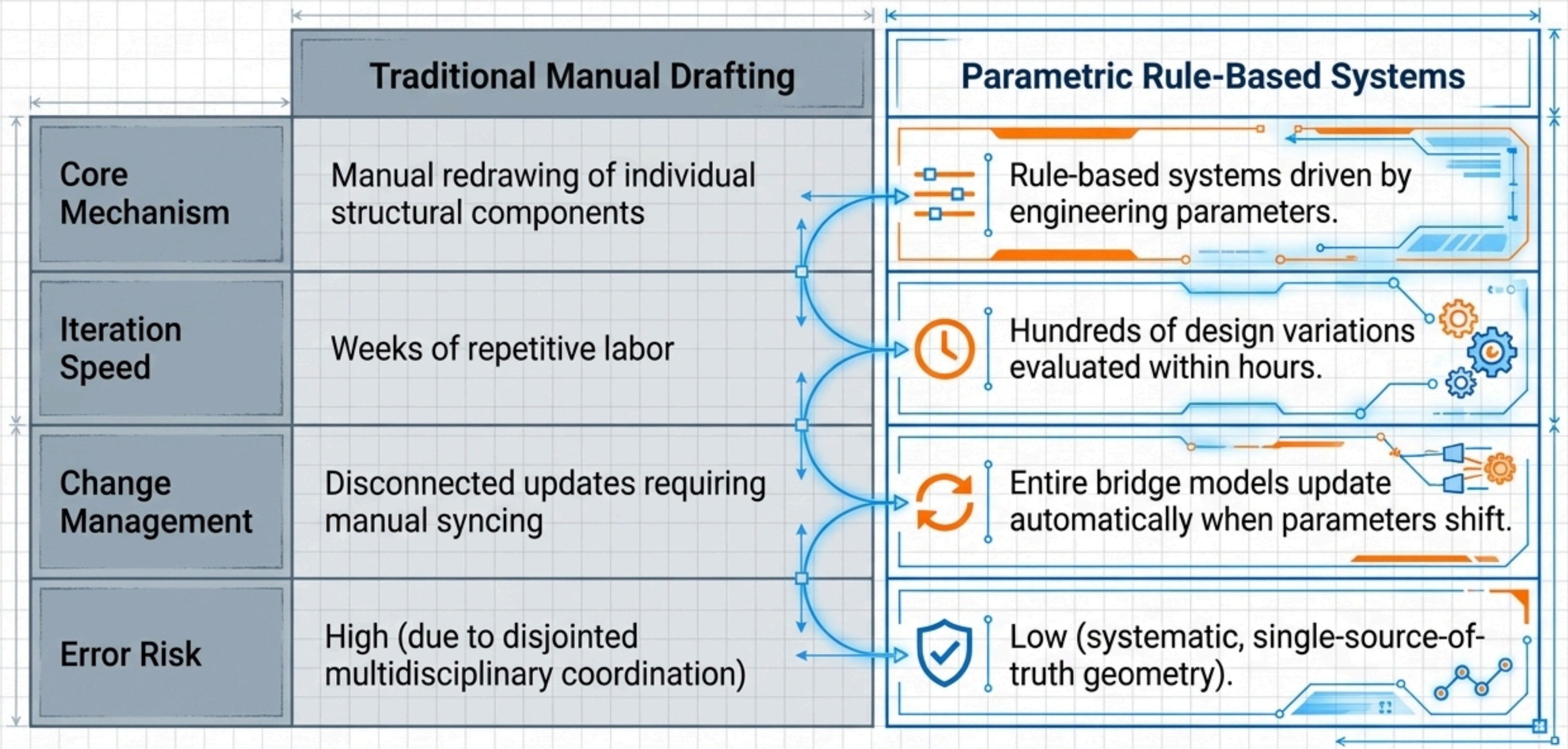
Increased risk of modeling errors

Reduced ability to explore alternatives

Difficulty coordinating multidisciplinary teams

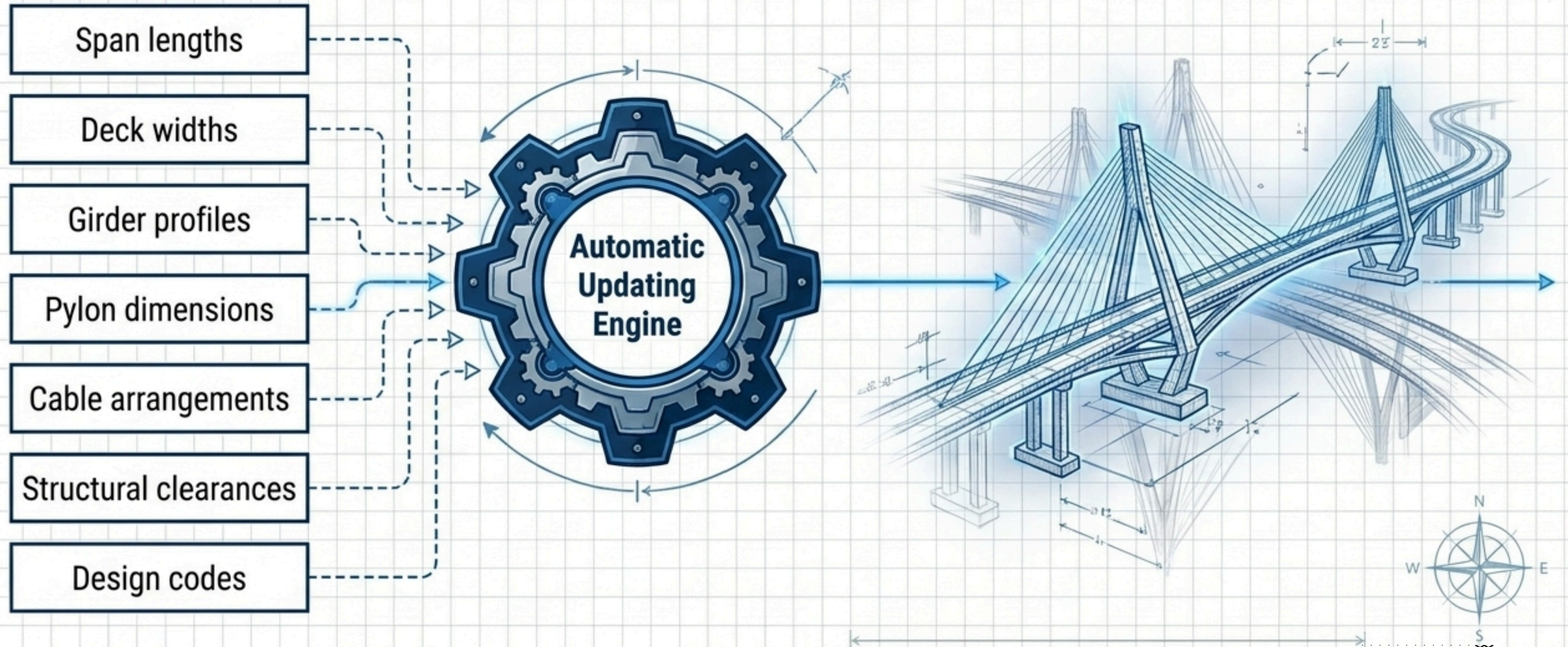
The Weight of Manual Remodeling

The Modeling Divide



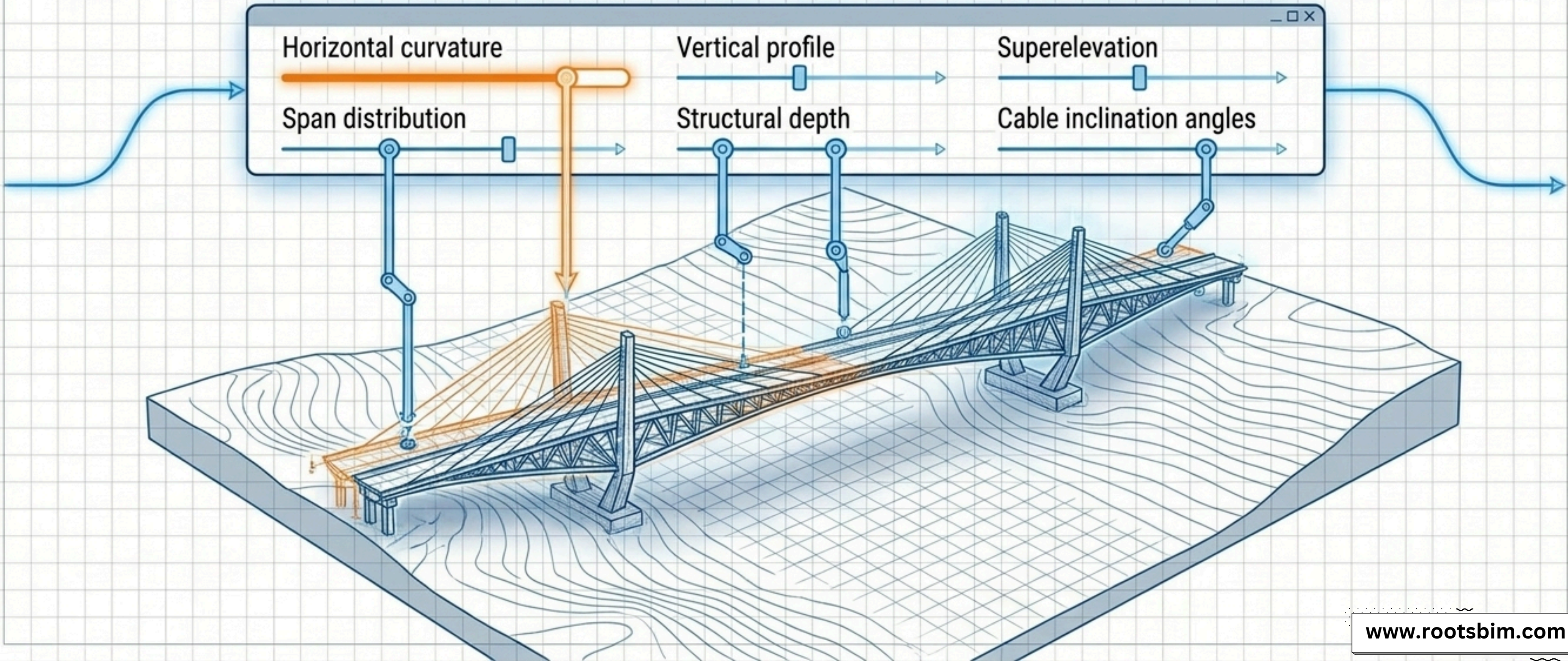
Defining the Parametric Framework

Creating bridge geometry using interconnected design rules, mathematical relationships, and engineering constraints rather than static lines.



Grasshopper: The Computational Engine

When a single slider changes, the entire curvilinear alignment and variable-depth section regenerates automatically while perfectly preserving the underlying design intent.



Intelligent Geometry Driven by Engineering Logic

Piers: Locations automatically **adapt** to avoid geological constraints.

Cables: Spacing **adapts** continuously to load distribution.

Profile: Structural depth **scales** proportionally with span length.

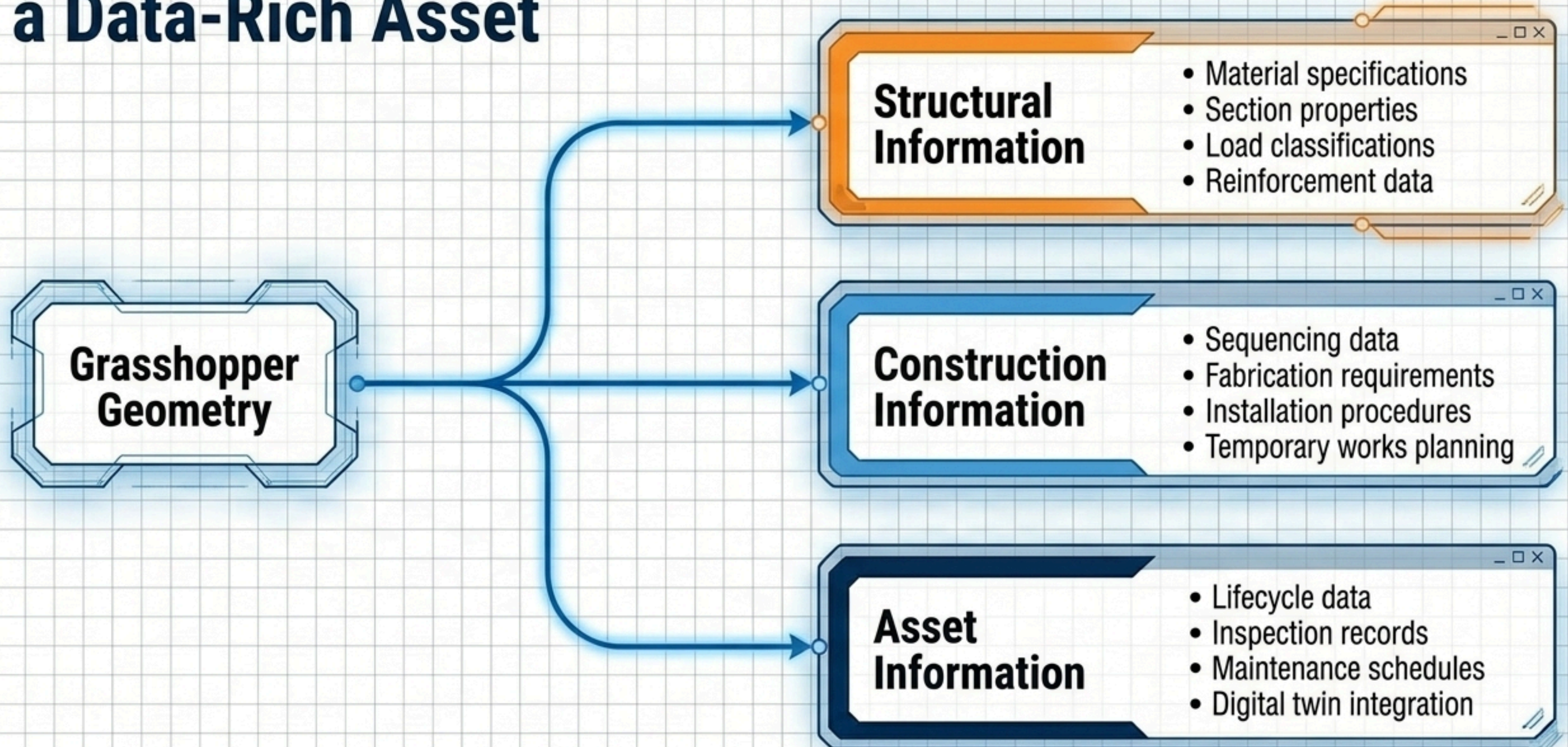
Piers: Locations automatically **adapt** to avoid geological constraints.

Deck: Width dynamically **adjusts** based on projected traffic demand.

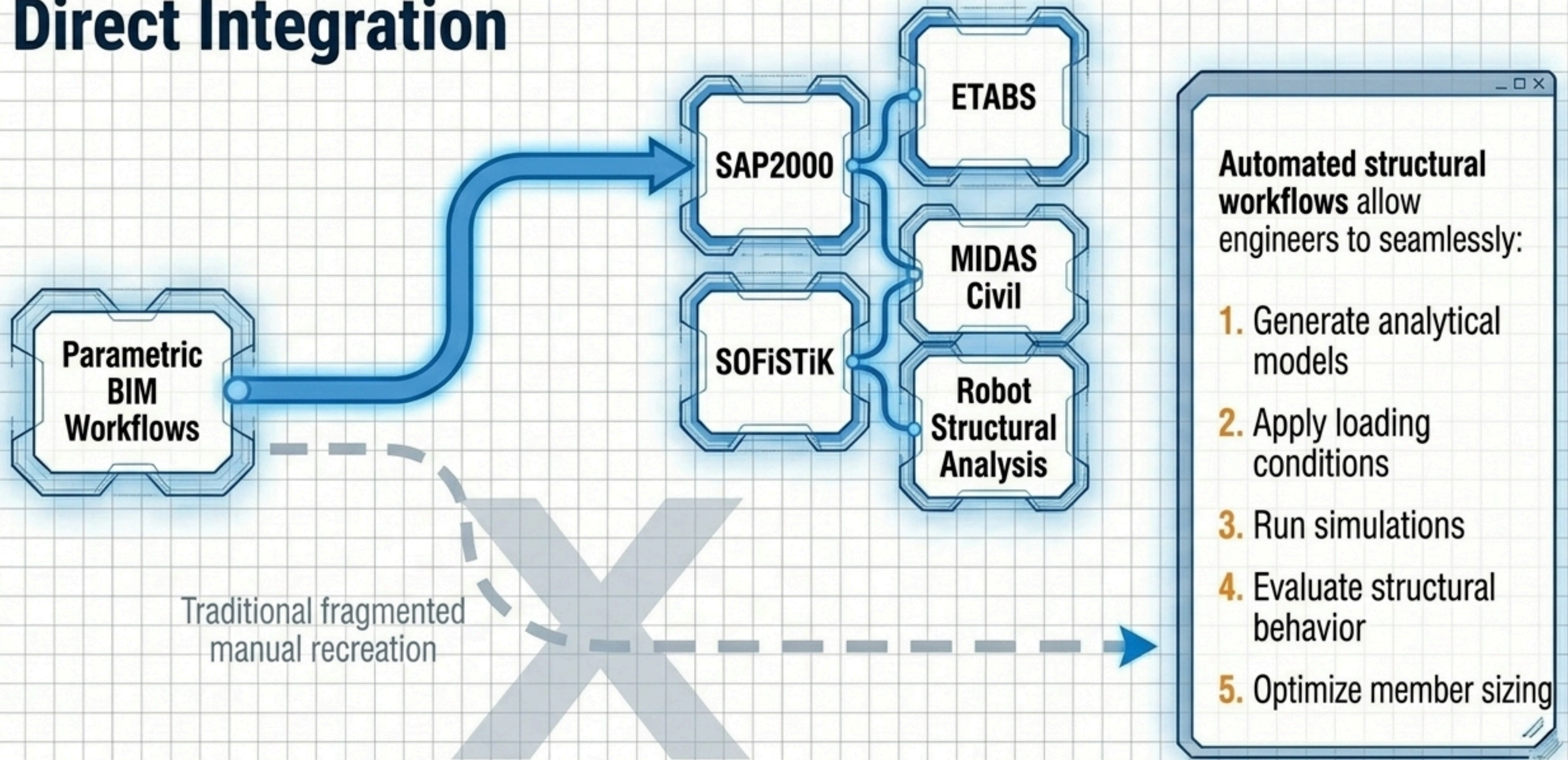
Girders: Sections **vary** directly according to bending moments.



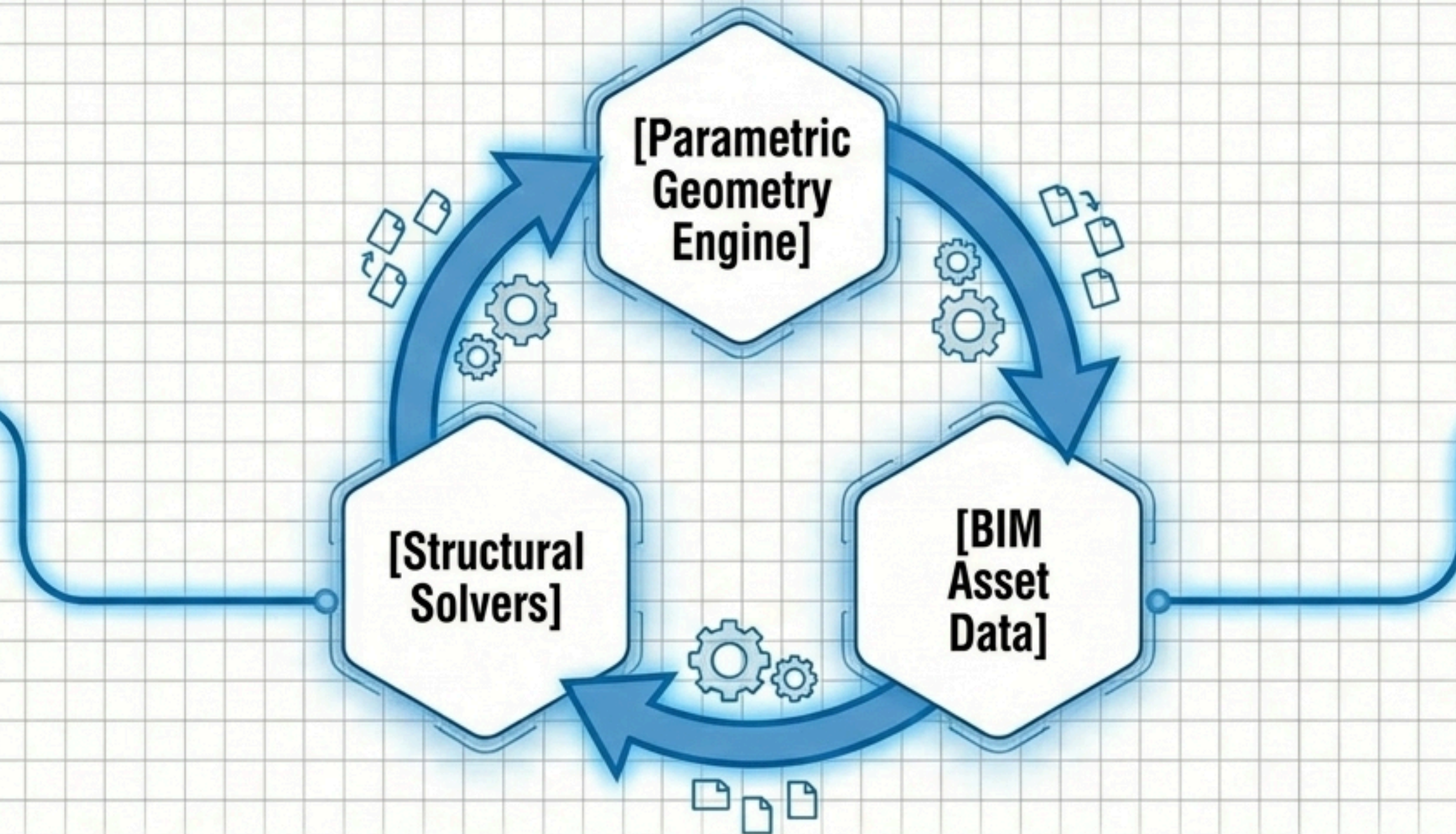
Expanding Geometry into a Data-Rich Asset



The Analysis Bridge: Direct Integration

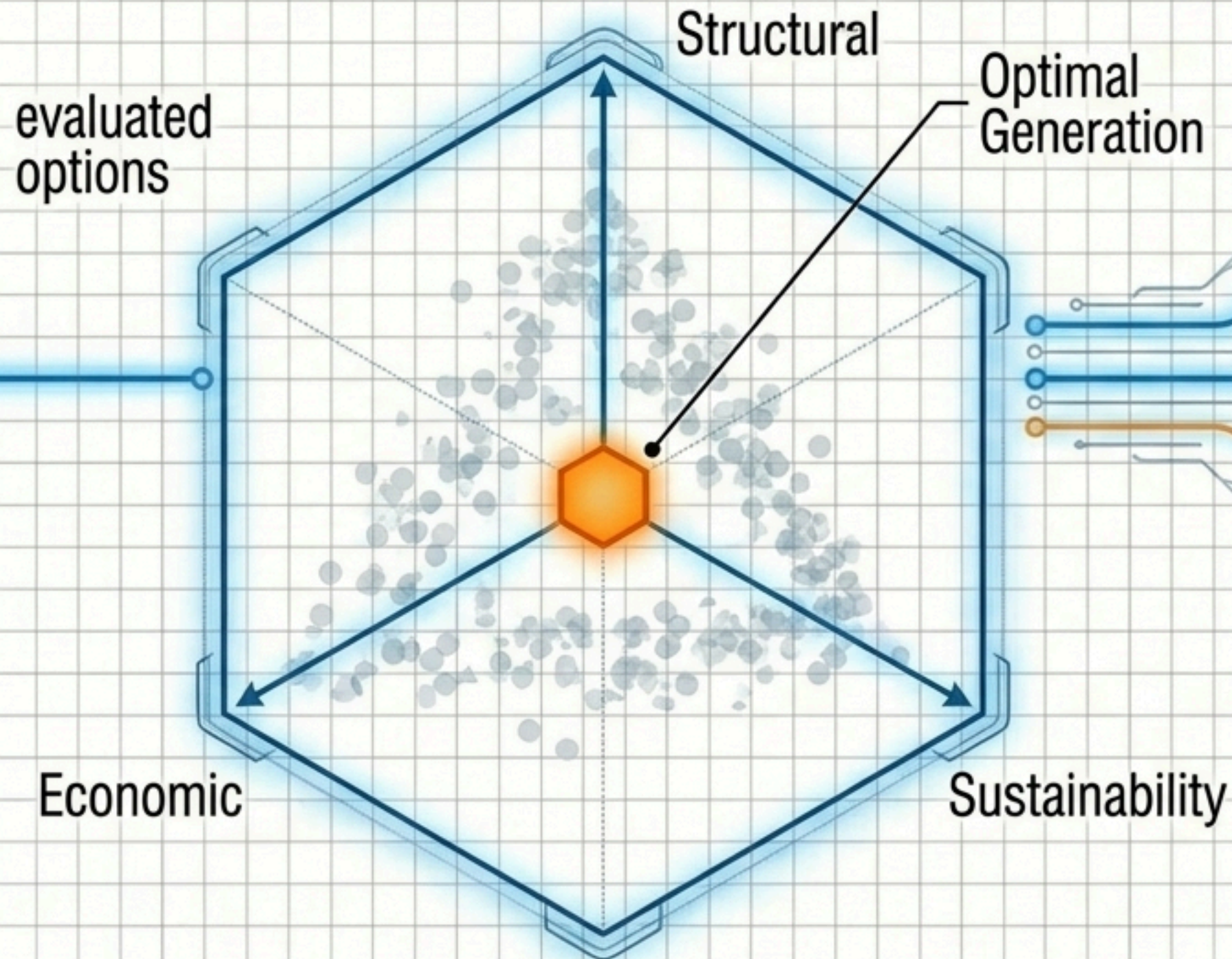


SYNTHESIS: The Continuous Feedback Loop



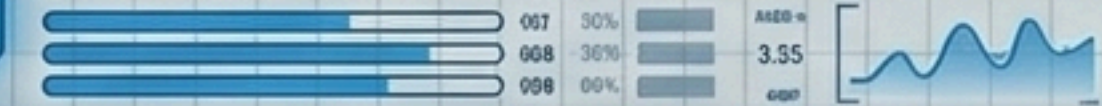
Parametric workflows do not isolate geometry, analysis, and information. They unify them. Modifying a parameter at any single node instantly updates structural simulations and downstream BIM asset data, eliminating data inconsistencies, coordination errors, and repetitive work.

Data-Driven Performance Optimization



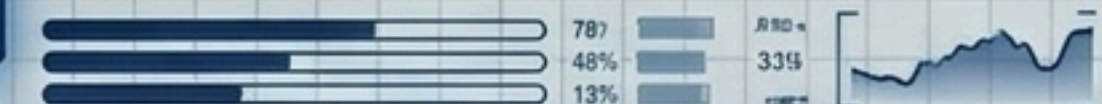
Structural Performance

Deflection limits, stress utilization, dynamic response, vibration behavior.



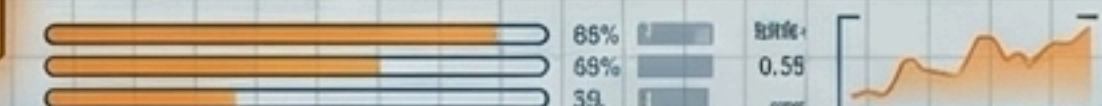
Economic Performance

Material quantities, fabrication costs, construction duration.

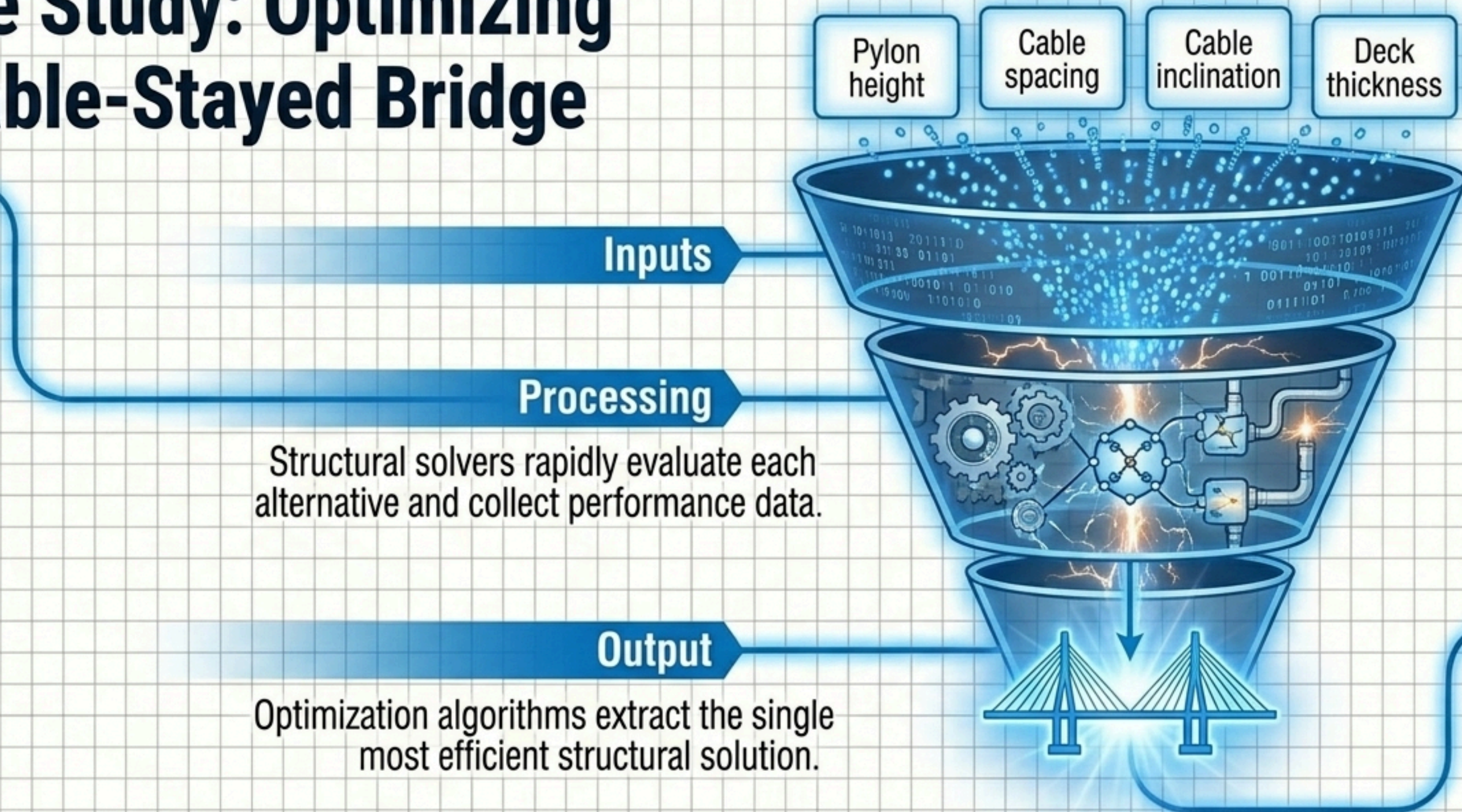


Sustainability Performance

Carbon footprint, material efficiency, lifecycle impacts.



Case Study: Optimizing a Cable-Stayed Bridge



What once required months of iterative engineering is now completed in a fraction of the time with greater accuracy and absolute structural confidence.

Downstream Execution: From Code to Construction



Digital Parametric Model



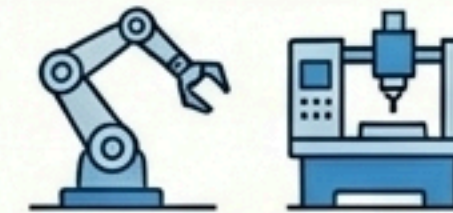
Fabrication Drawings

Remain fully coordinated through all changes.



Bill of Materials

Quantities update automatically as design shifts.



Direct Manufacturing

CNC fabrication data extracted directly from the model.



Sequencing

Construction and installation simulated virtually.



Clash Detection

Reliable, early identification of multi-system conflicts.

The Horizon: Operational Intelligence

Future bridge models will not only generate geometry but will learn from real-time sensor integration.

Bridges will evolve from static infrastructure into intelligent, continuously improving assets via:

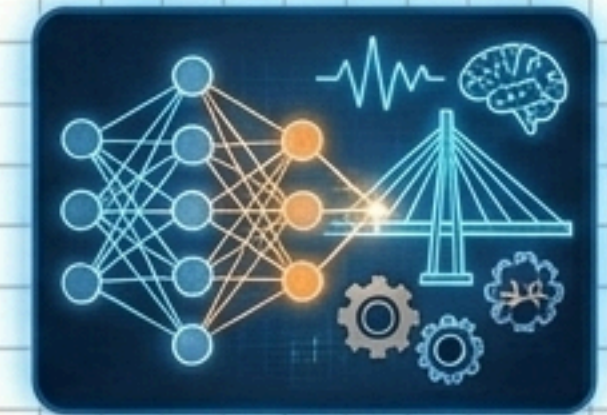
- Predictive maintenance
- Real-time performance monitoring
- Automated design optimization
- Lifecycle cost forecasting



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Parametric BIM

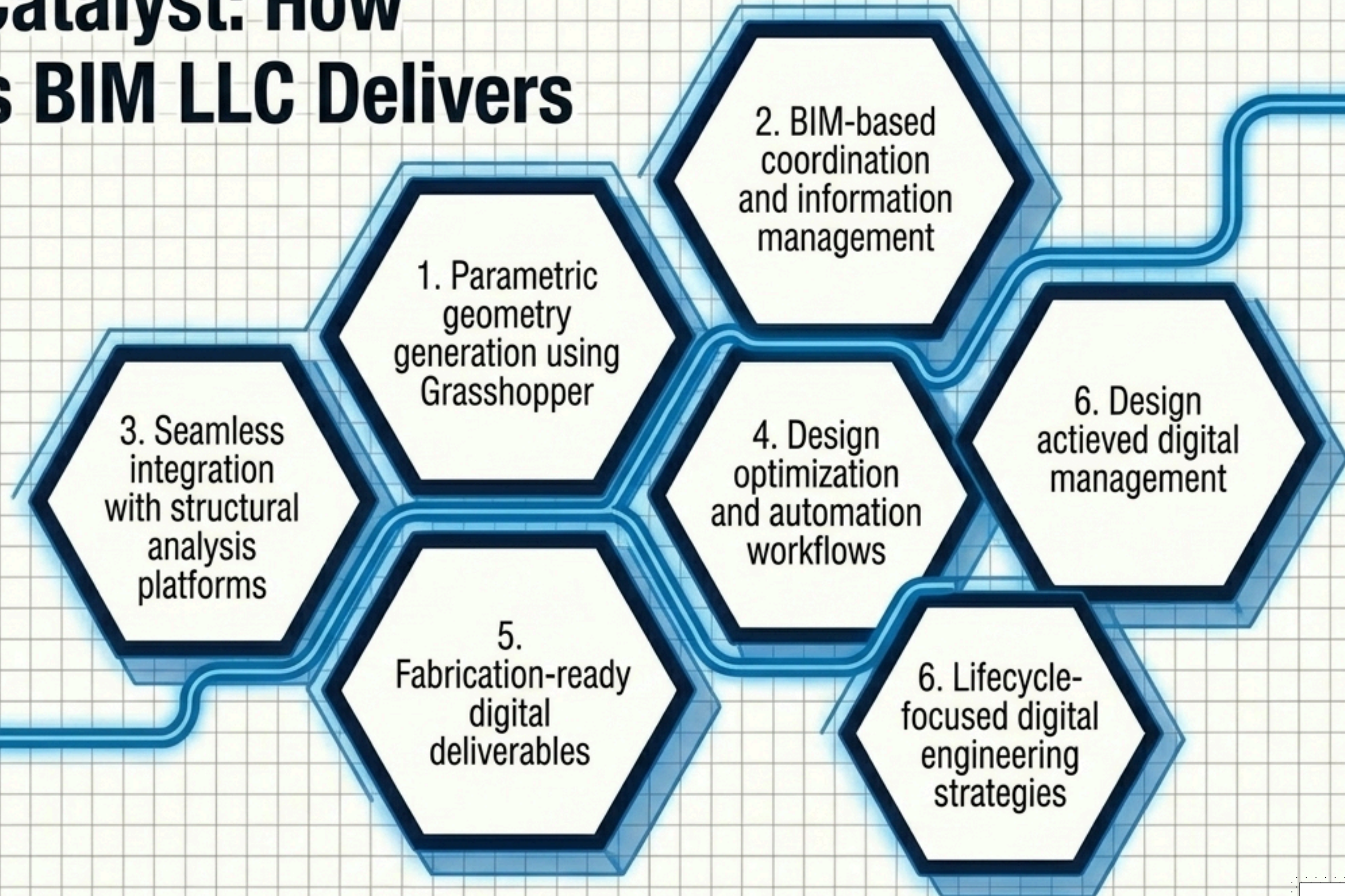


Step 2:
Digital Twins



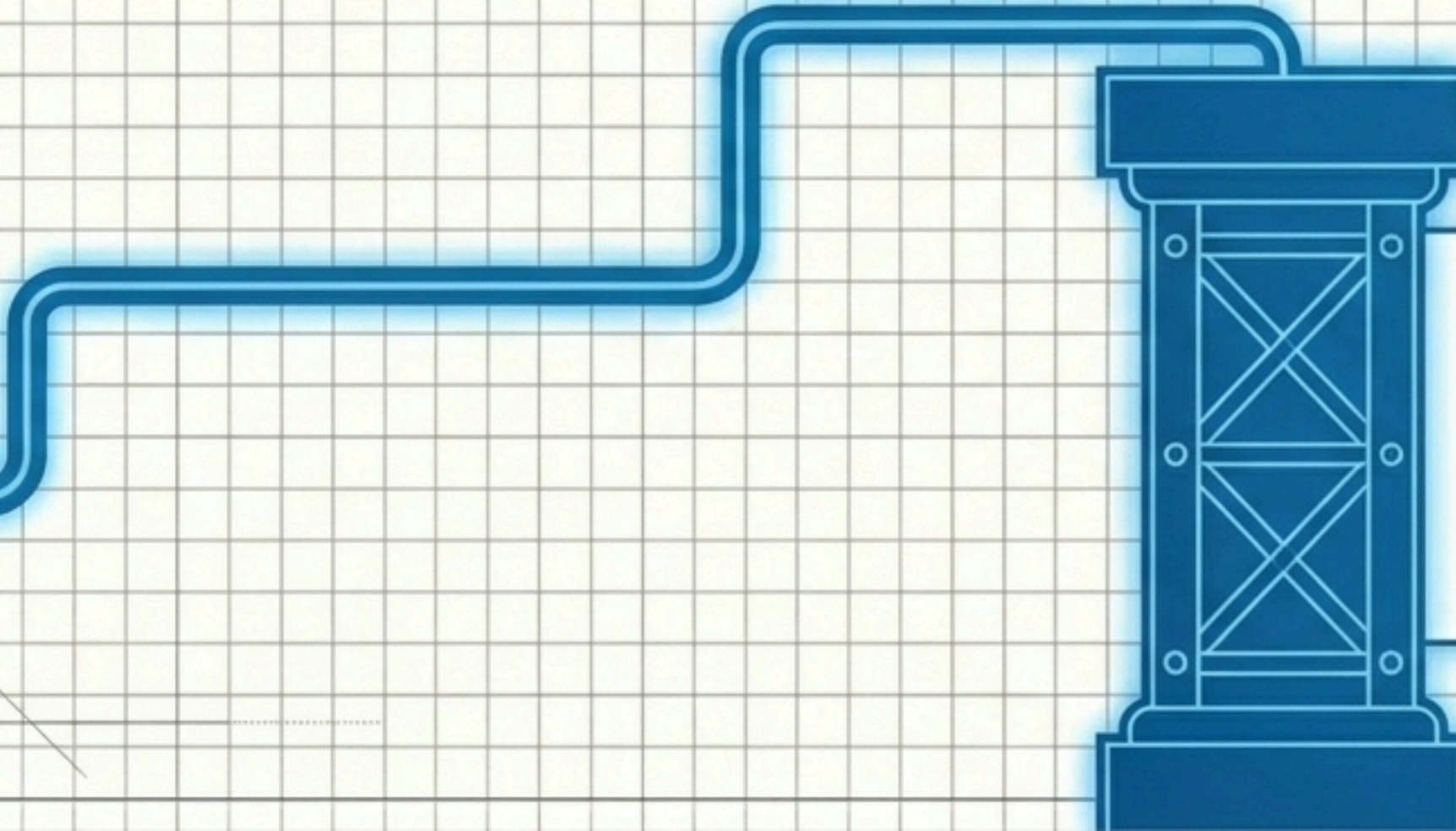
Step 3:
AI-Assisted Engineering

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